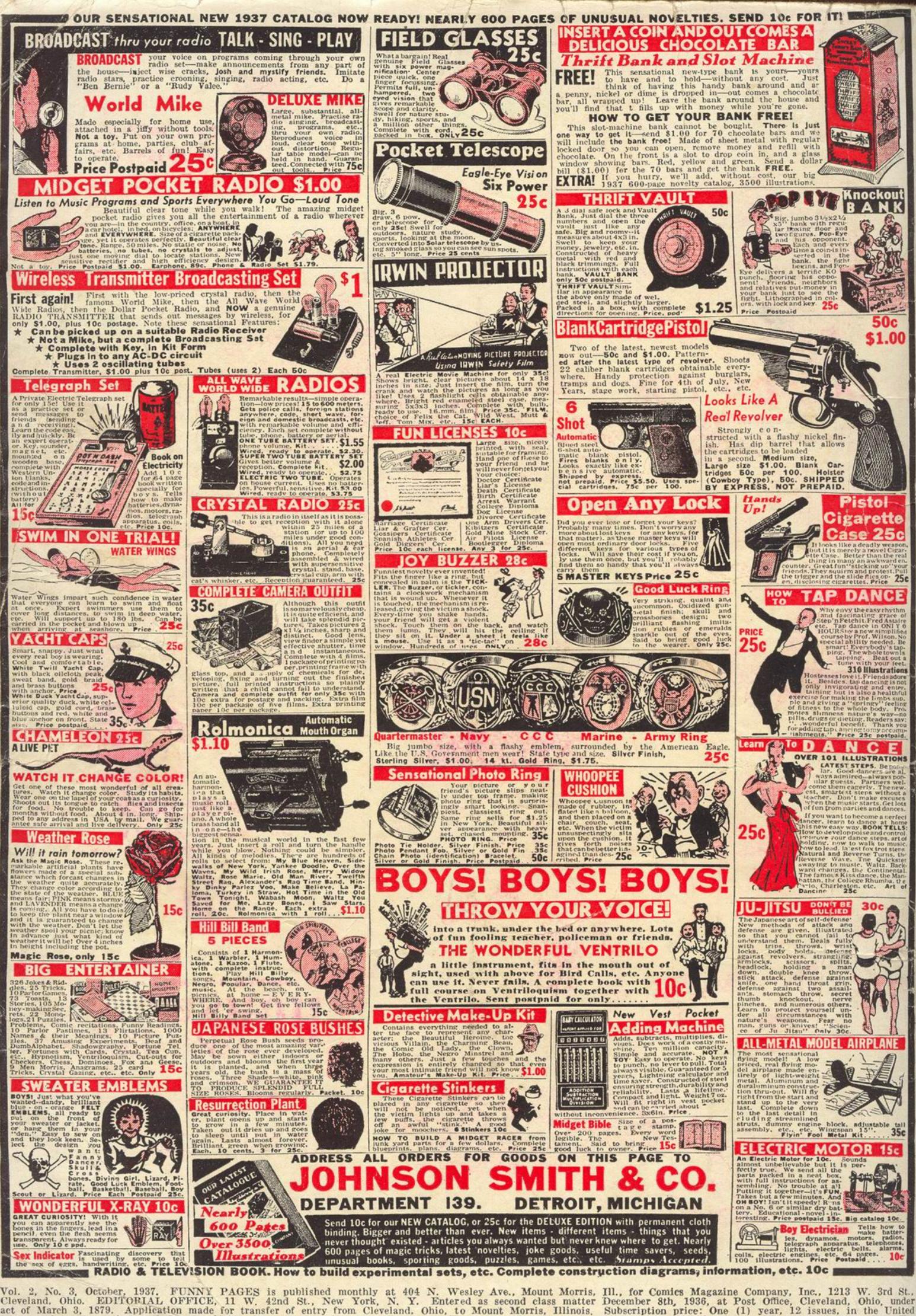
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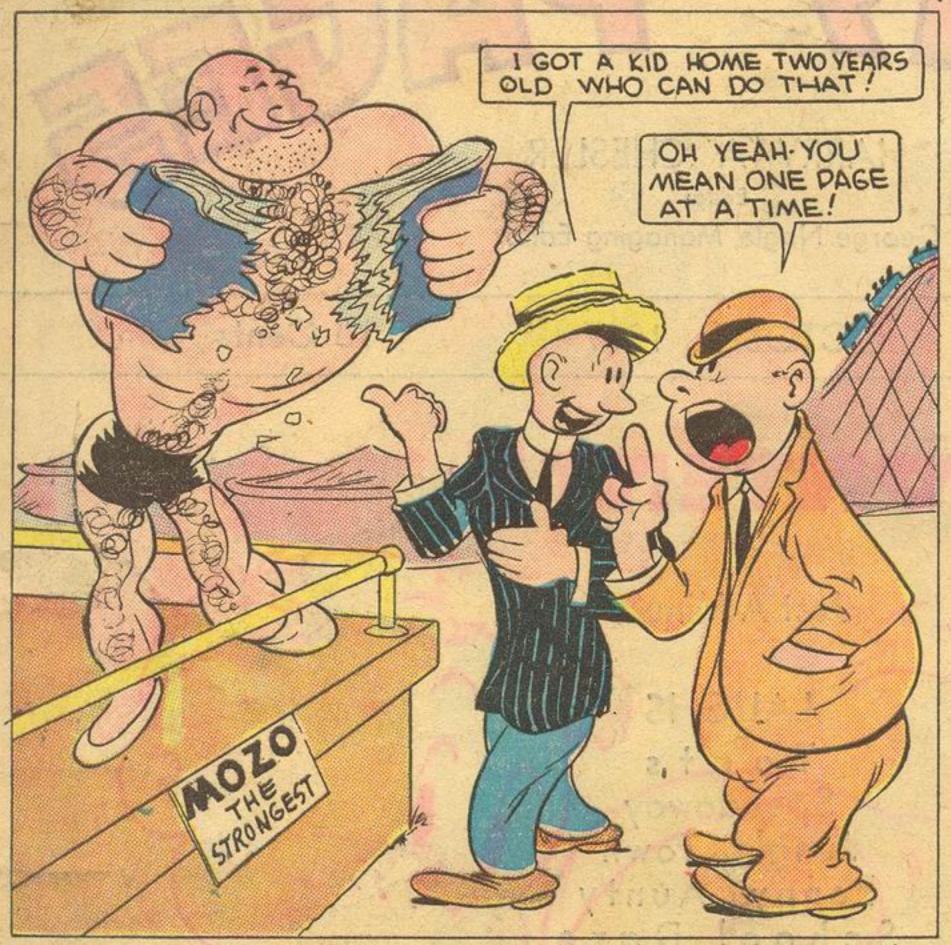


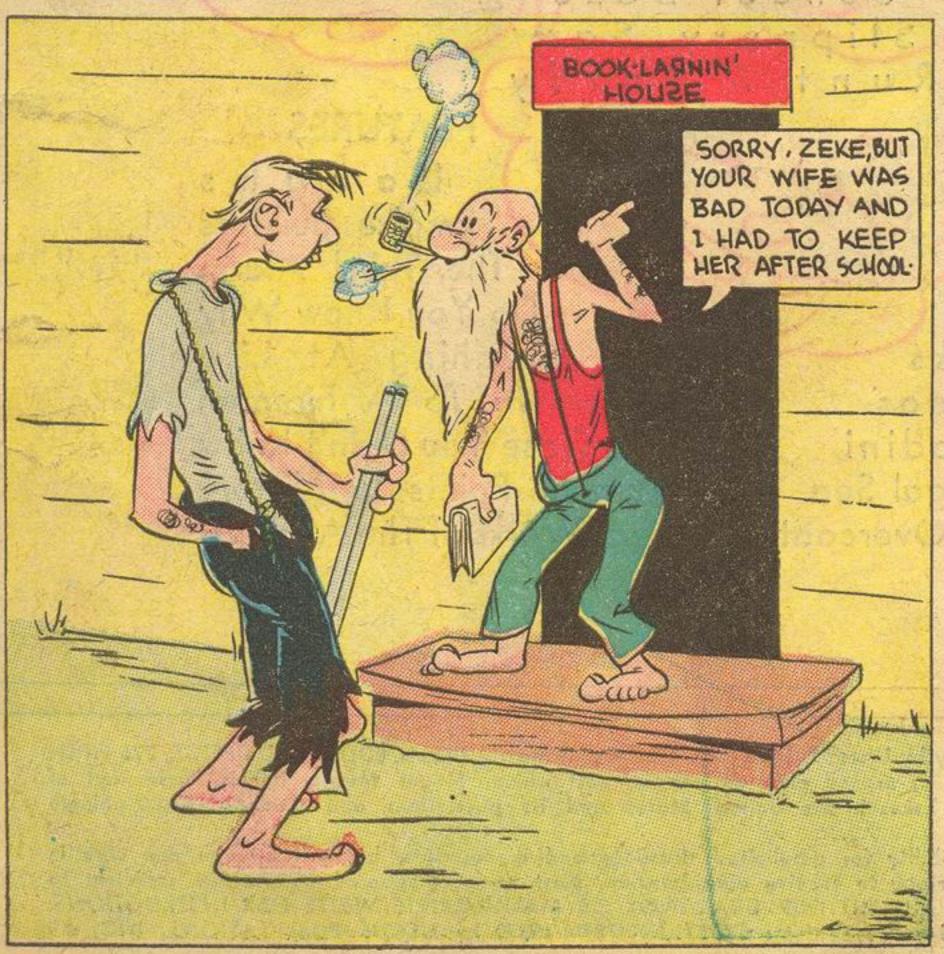




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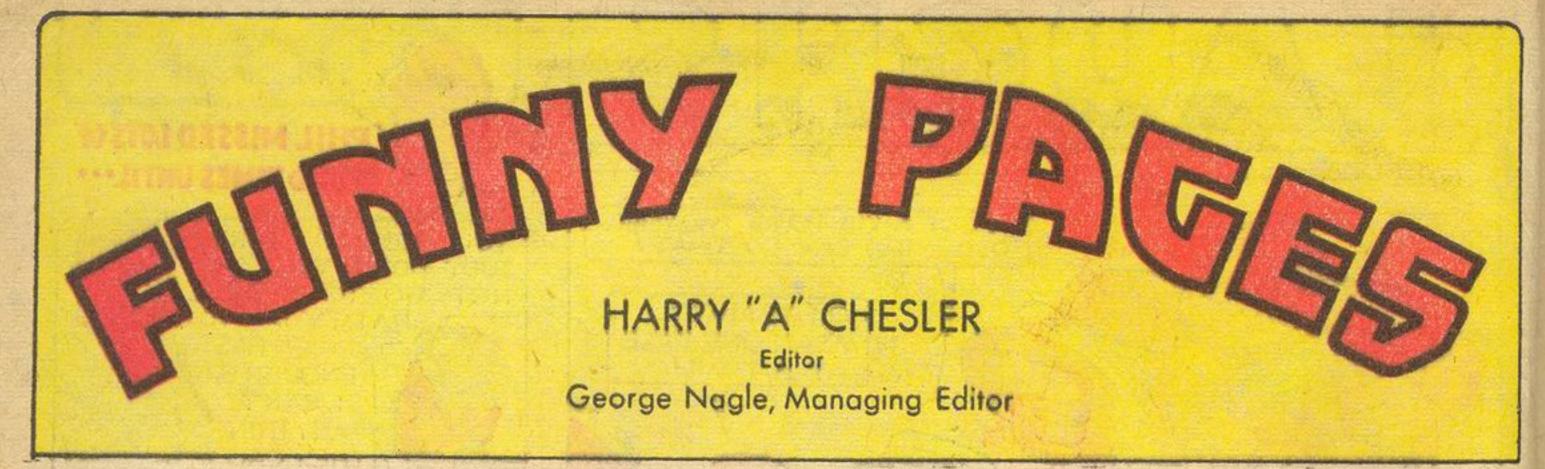
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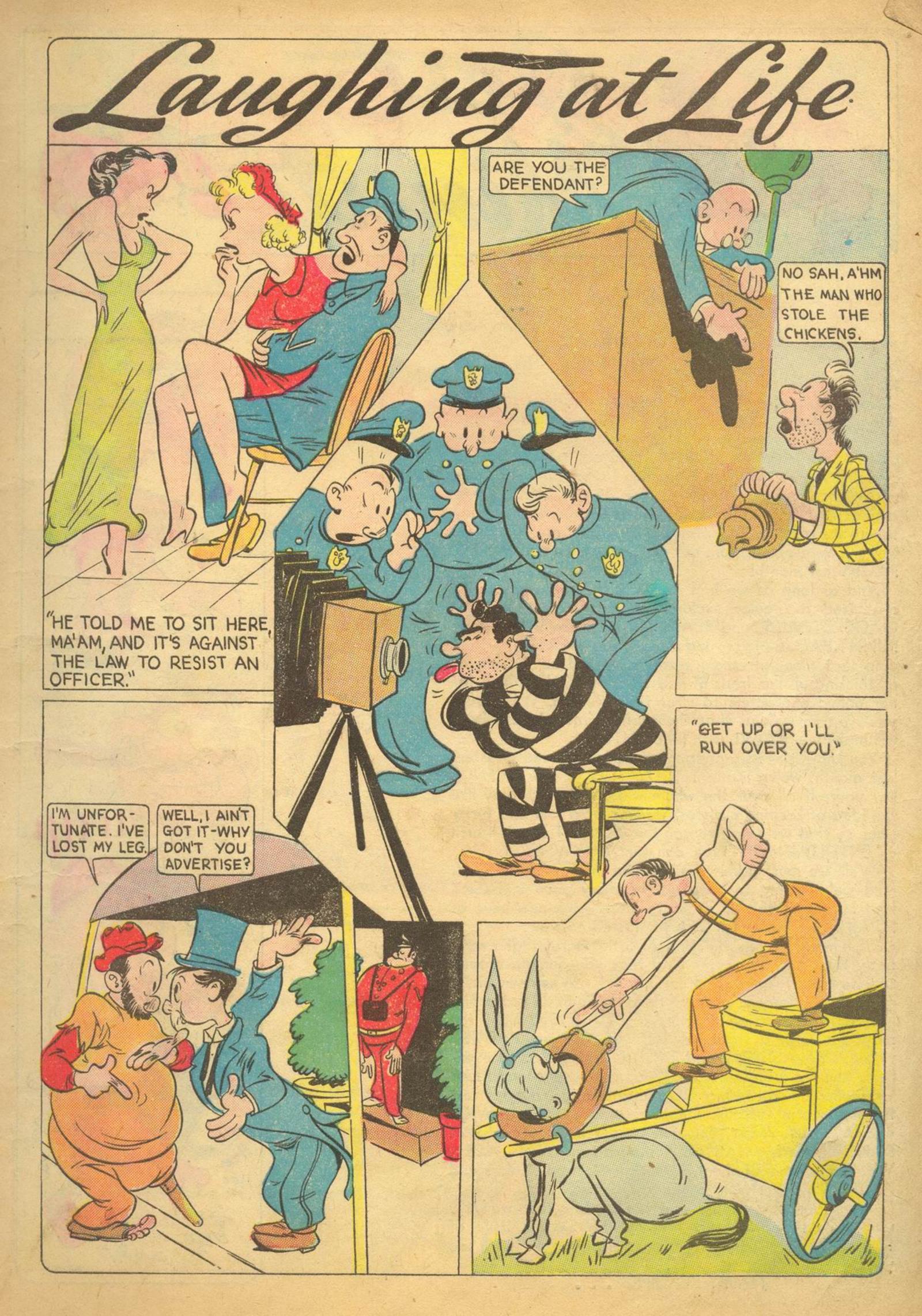
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HELLO, FOLKS!

Boy, we're sure glad that the hot weather is almost gone! All summer long we had to use our imaginations to keep us cool during the sweltering months. As long as we couldn't go up to the NORTH POLE and paddle around in a KAYAK, we fixed up a couple of substitutes. We had our artists draw us a couple of nice, cool ICEBERGS, and a flock of IGLOOS, and we set them around the office to create an ARCTIC atmosphere. That, my friends, is why we were able to turn out such a swell issue of FUNNY PAGES last month!

And as long as we had the ARCTIC atmosphere, we organized a regular exploring party to discover new GAGS, STORIES, and FEATURES, to make this issue of

FUNNY PAGES bigger and better than EVER!

In that nice refreshing setting, we had no trouble at all thinking up hundreds of new FUNNY SITUATIONS for our comic characters to strut their stuff in. We're sure you'll agree with us that their crazy antics in this issue will make you HOWL with LAUGHTER!

You know, since we pepped up our artists and gagsters last month, we've made THOUSANDS of new FRIENDS like yourself all over the whole wide WORLD! They like the idea of keeping our staff working at a fast and funny pace so that we can give you the BIGGEST dime's worth of ENTERTAINMENT you can buy ANYWHERE!

Well, we must admit that we like the idea, too. . . . And we're going to keep up the dizzy pace in EVERY kind of WEATHER, in order to make each new issue of

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Sh-h-h-h-l! Here's the kind of little secret that every-body likes. You know, the kind that you can go around and whisper to all your friends. . . When you finish reading this copy of FUNNY PAGES, you can get a BIG kick out of reading FUNNY PICTURE STORIES, the magazine with a thousand THRILLS. It's just PACKED with SPEED, ACTION, and EXCITING STORIES of every kind. And for a thousand LAUGHS, we recommend STAR COMICS, our other big COMIC magazine. But for real he-man, rootin', tootin', shootin' stories of the old WILD and WOOLY WEST, you can always depend on STAR RANGER, the big CARTOON magazine of the GOLDEN WEST. Everyone of them is chock full of vivid colors and ACTION pictures from cover to COVER!

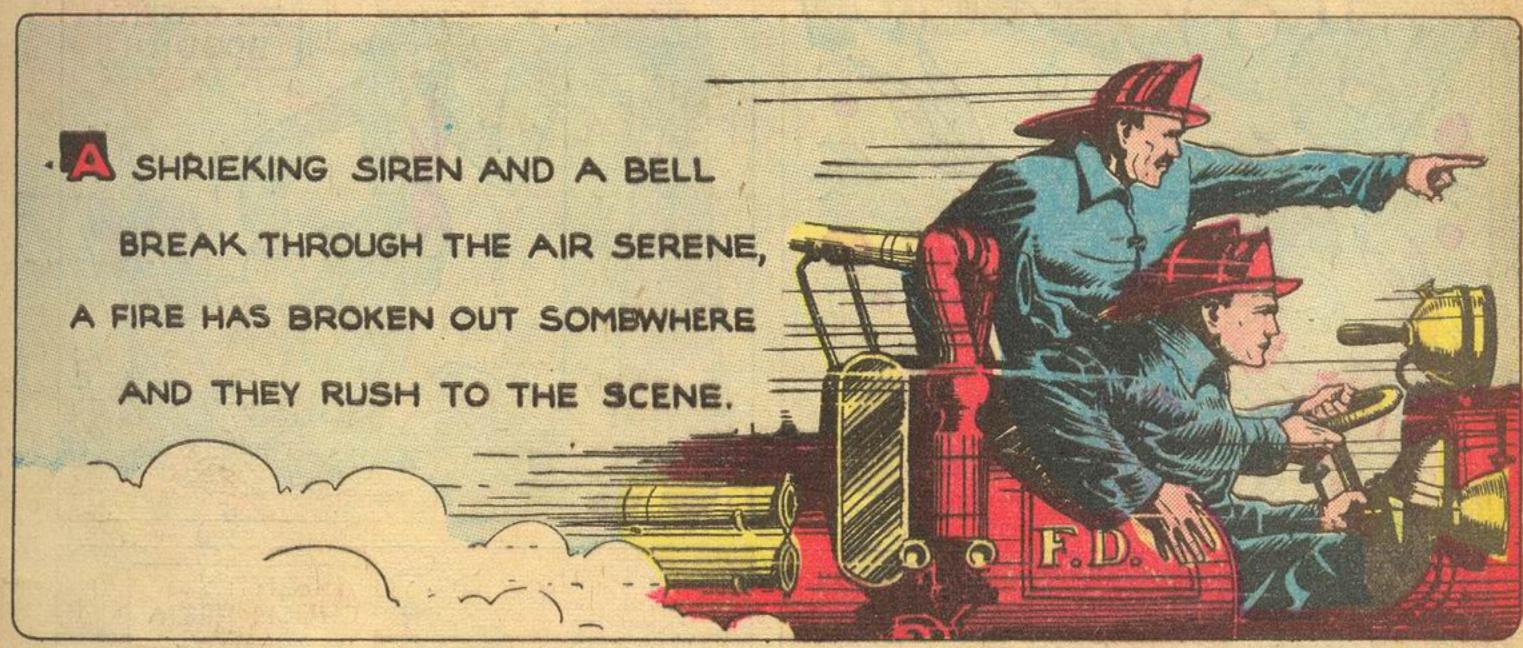
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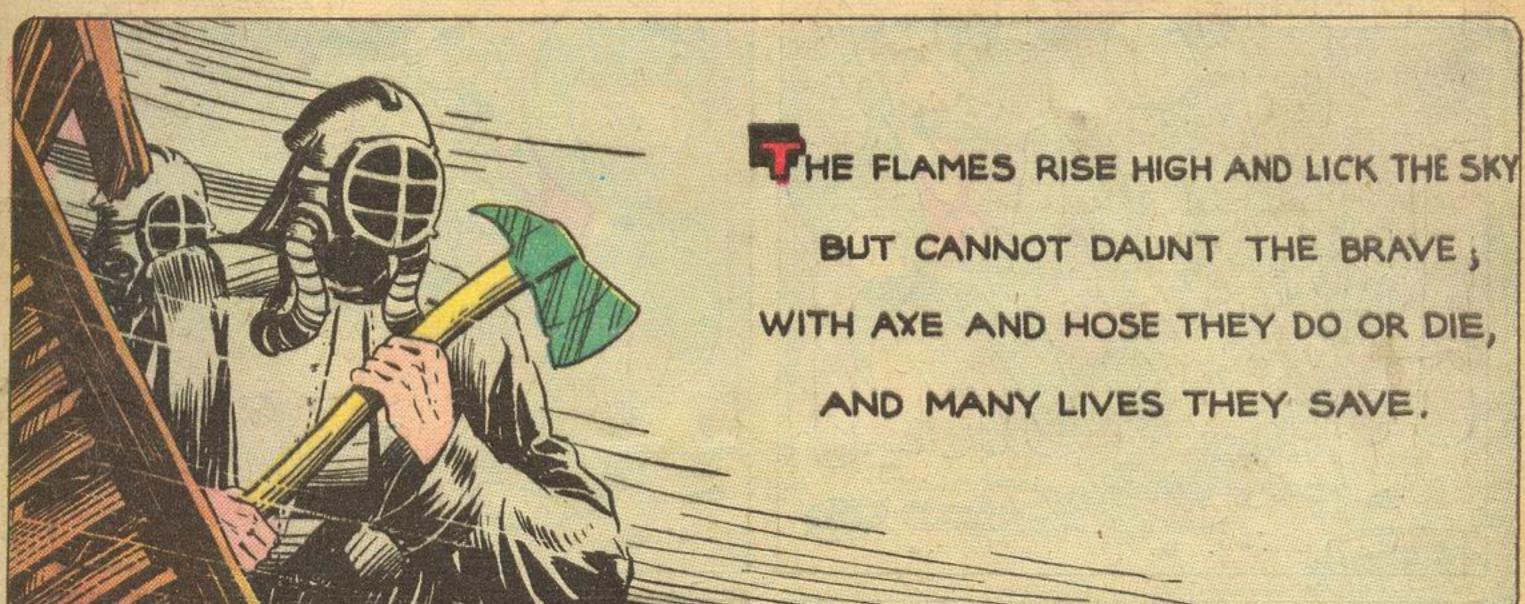
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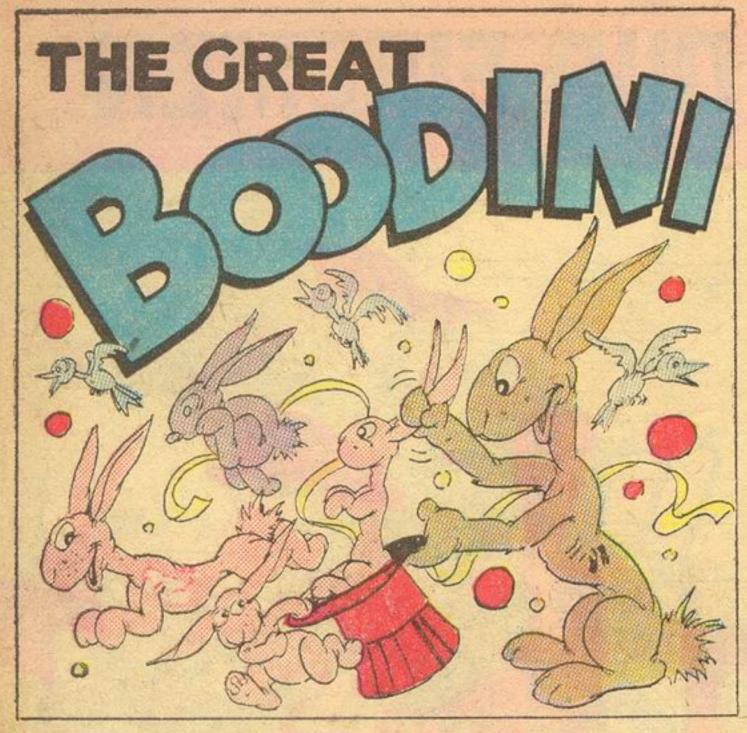


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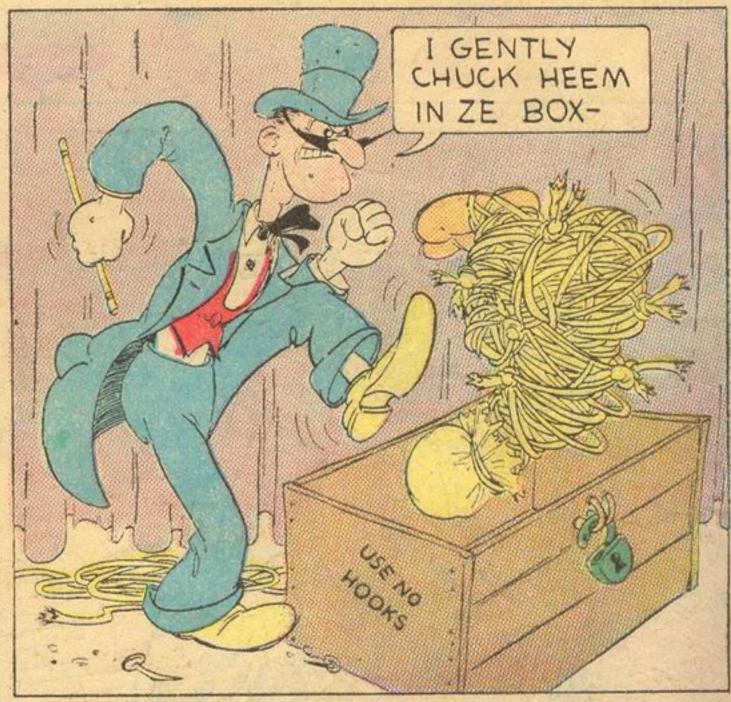


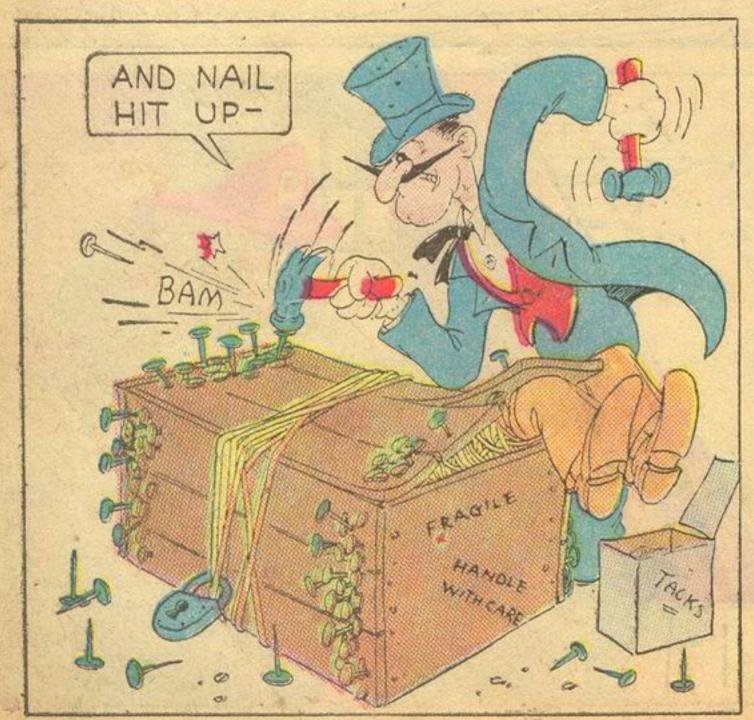


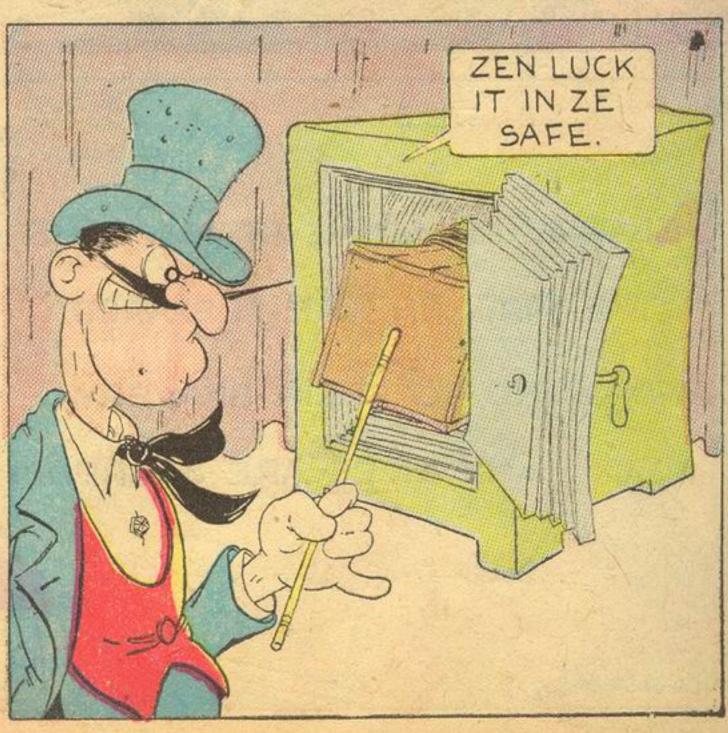




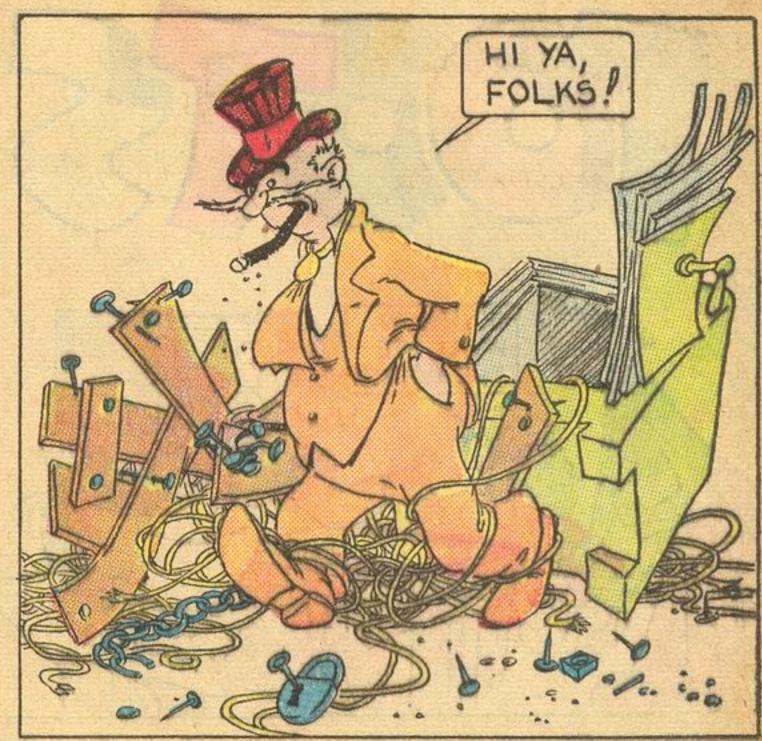


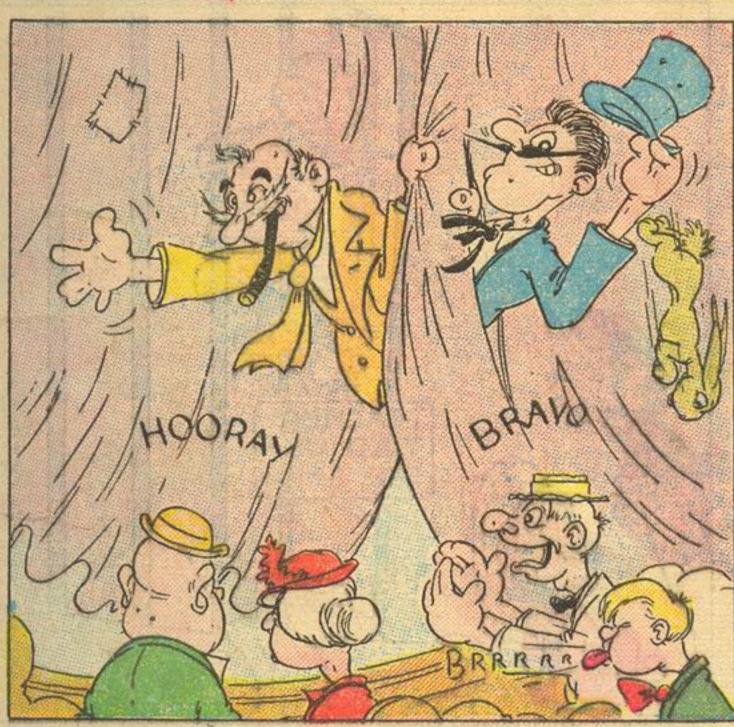


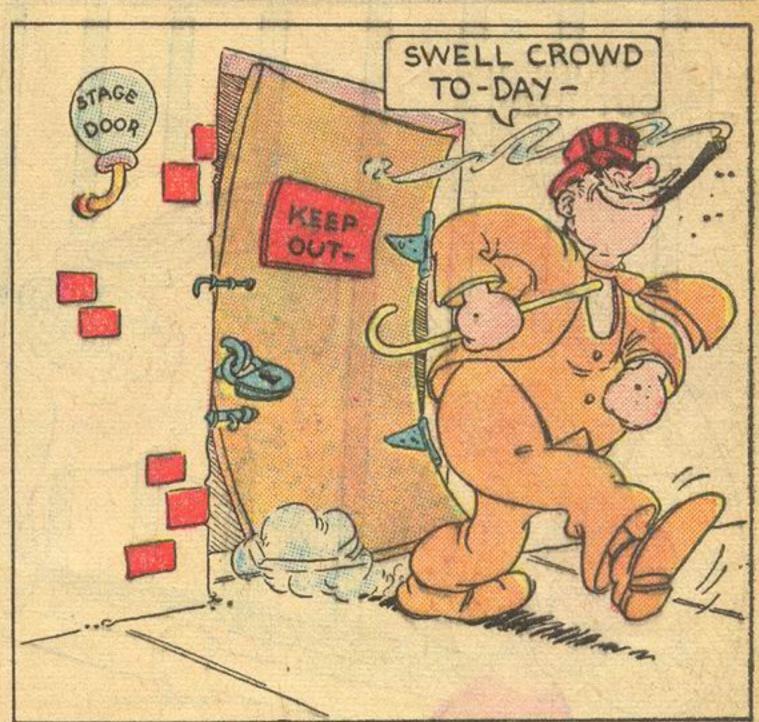


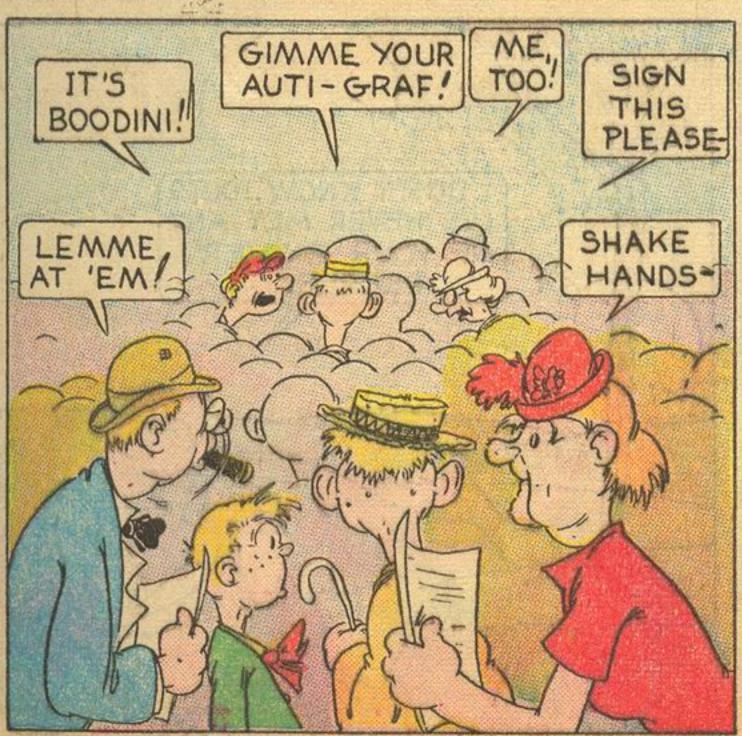


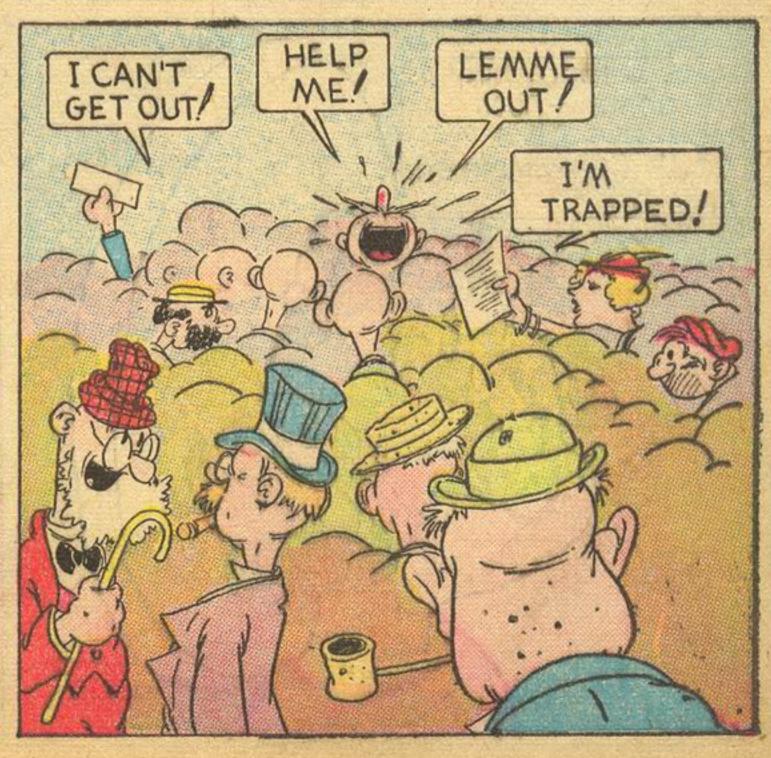


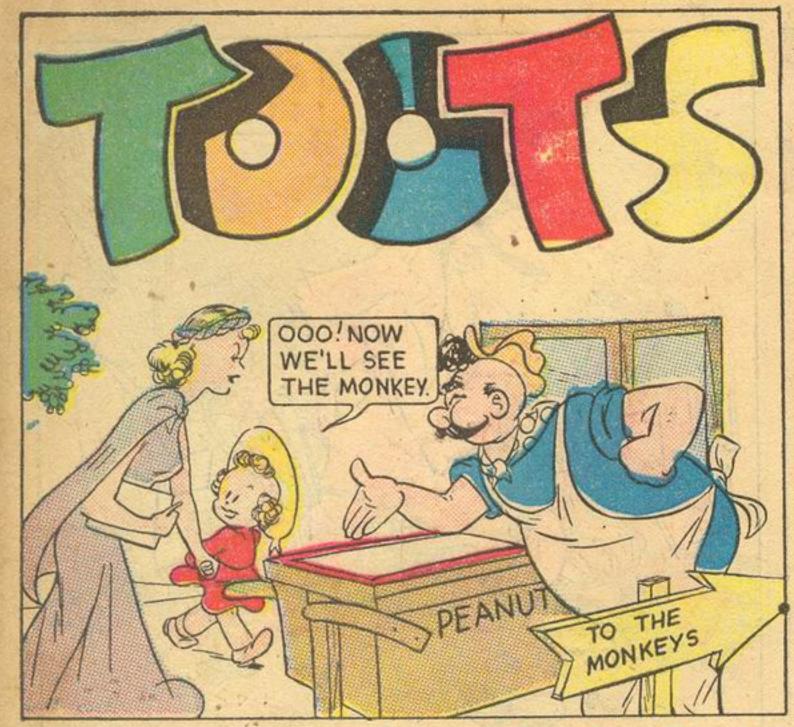


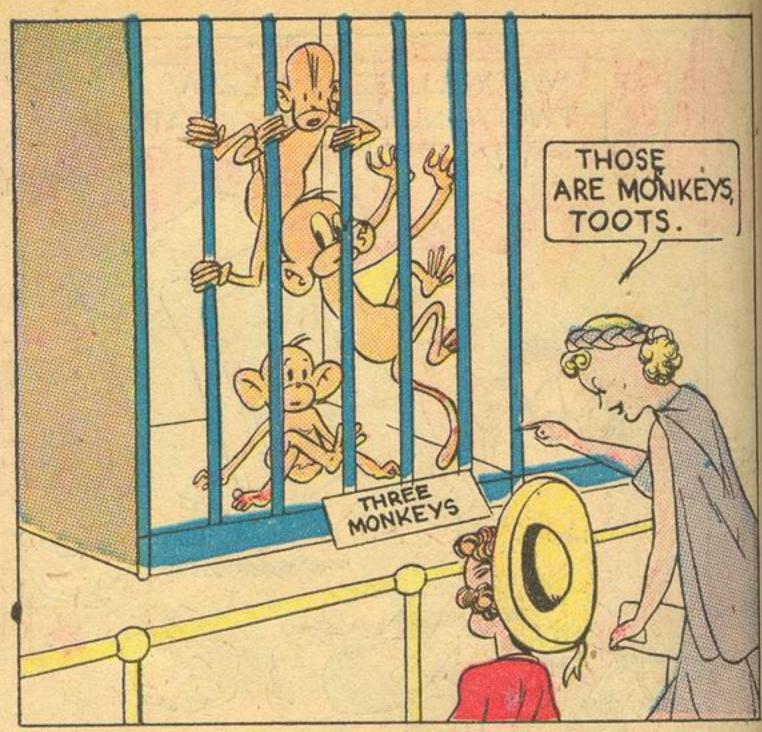


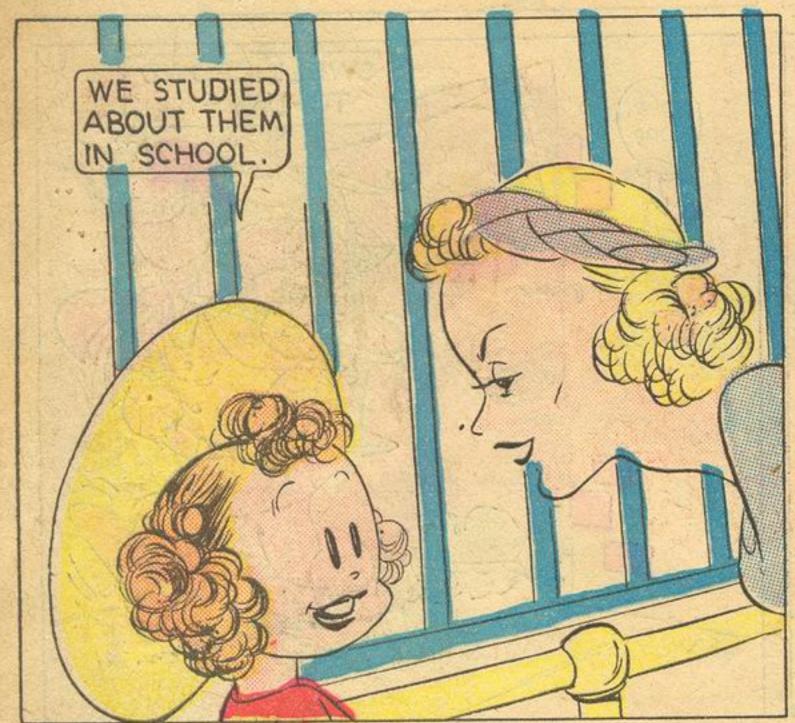


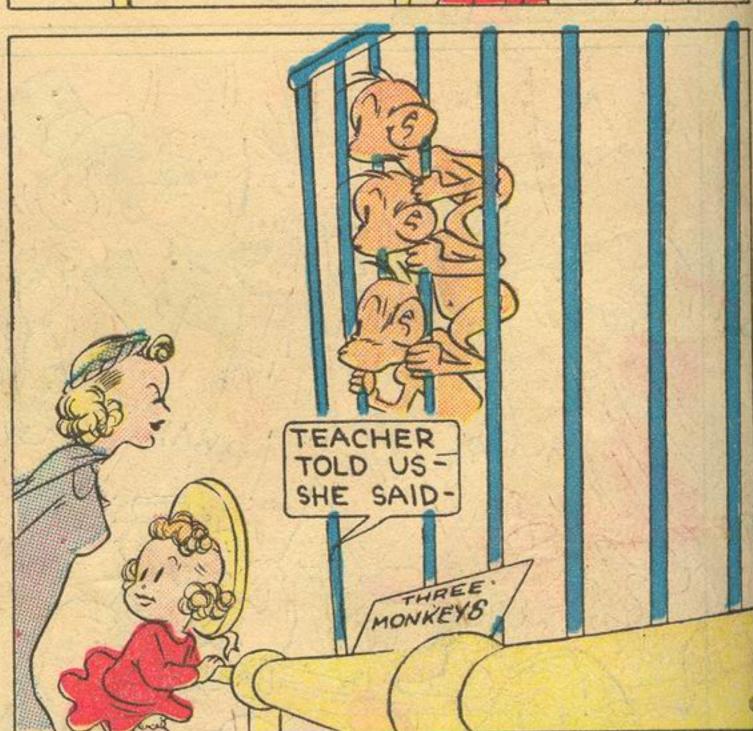






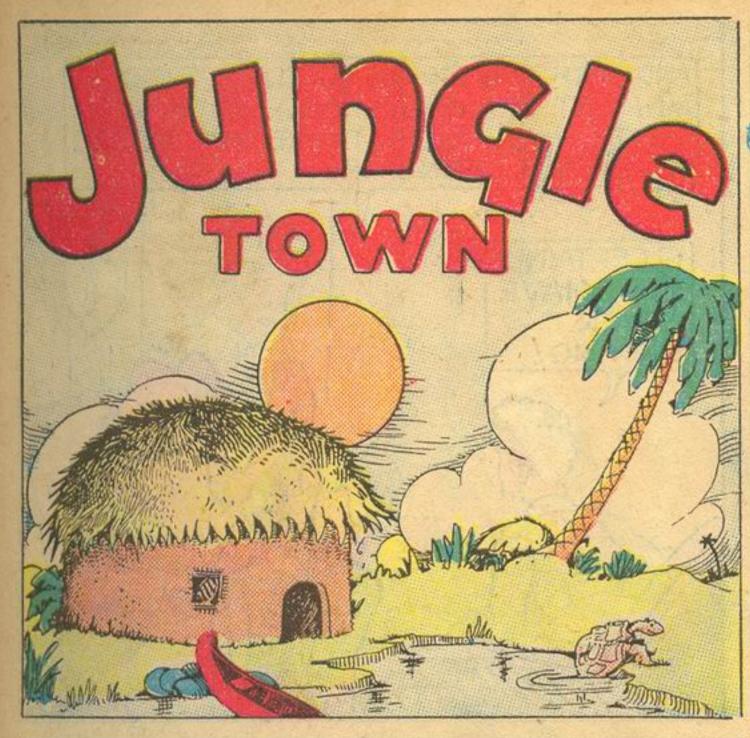


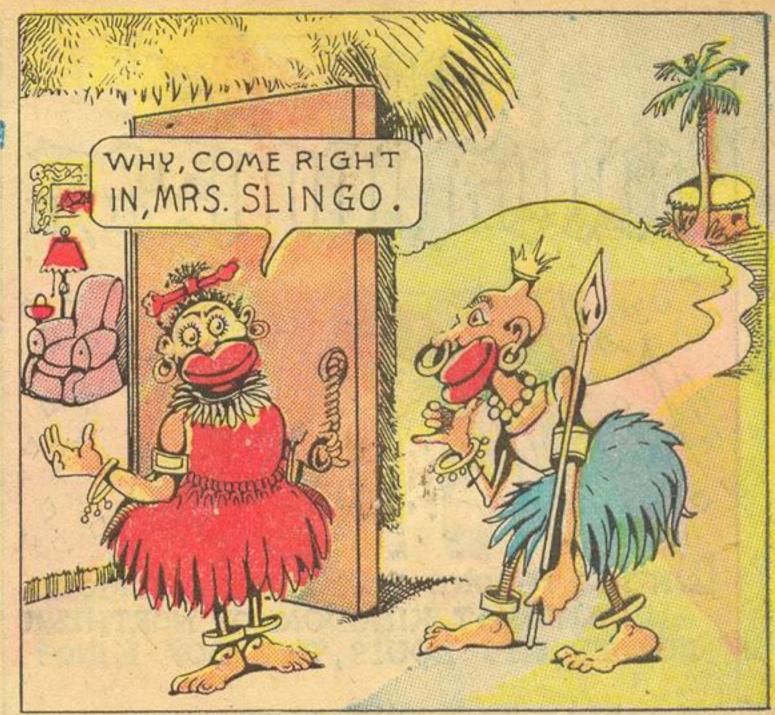






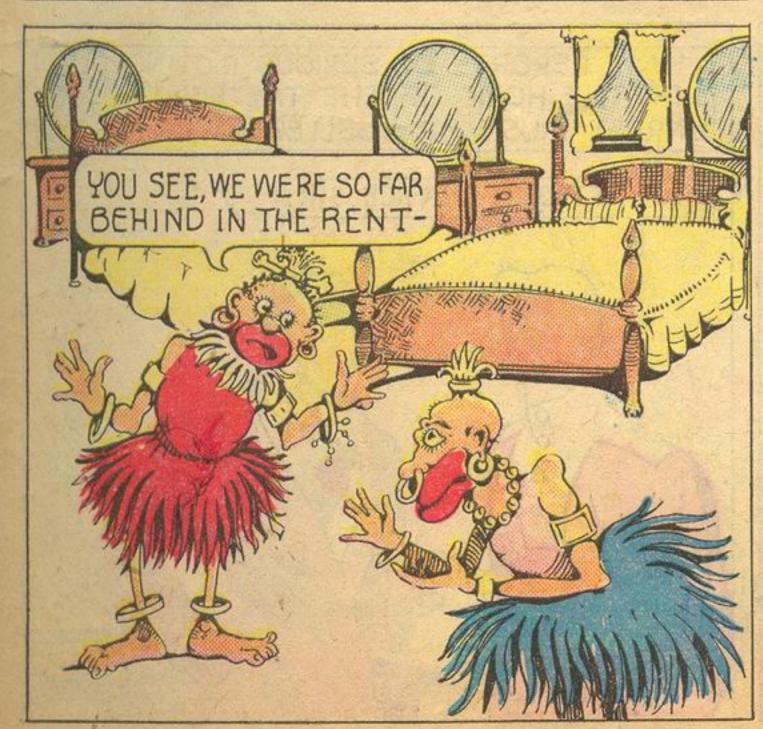














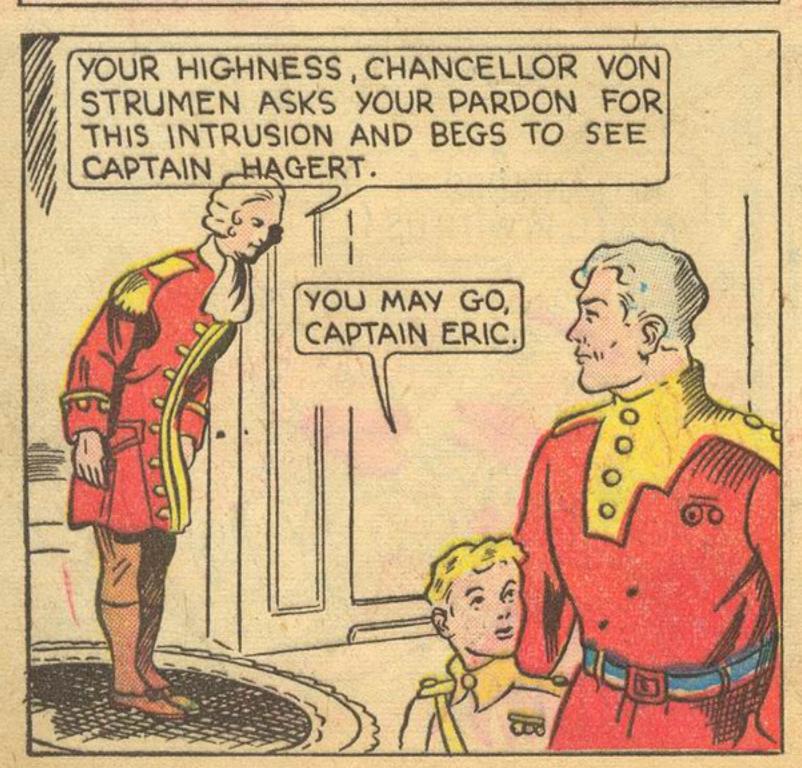


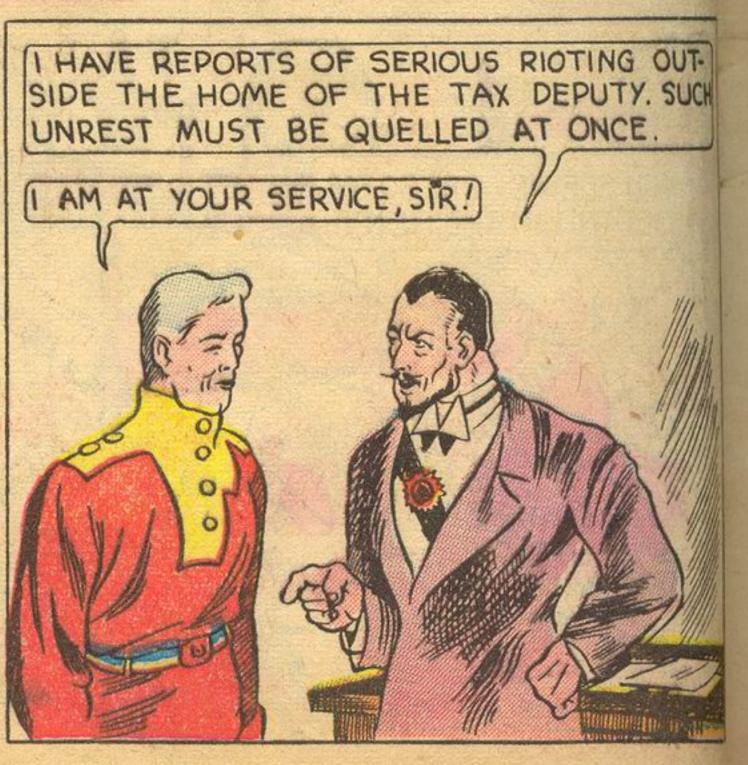


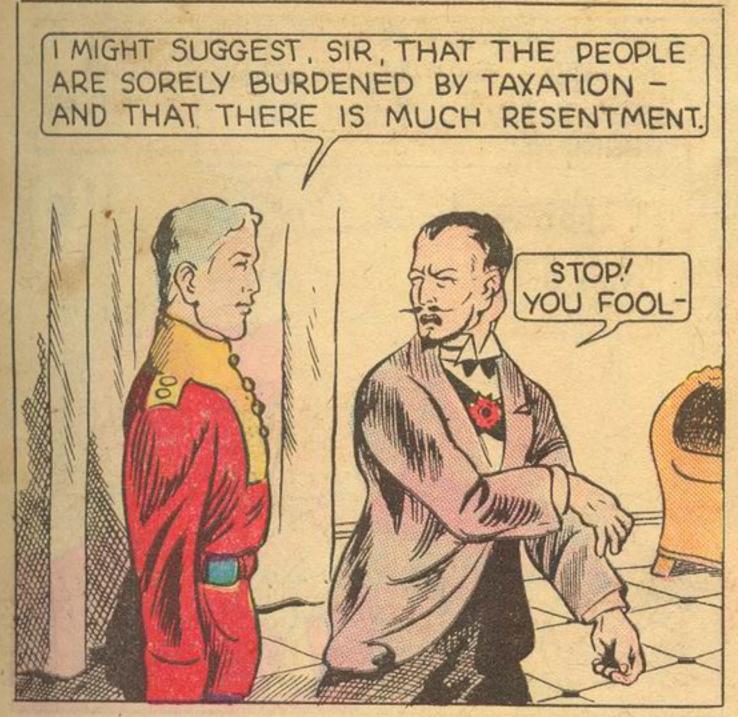


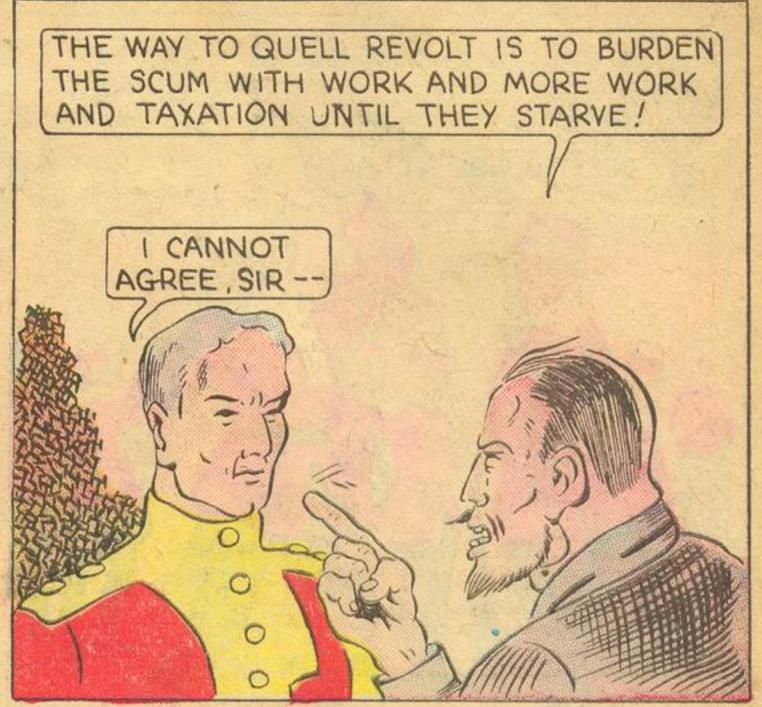


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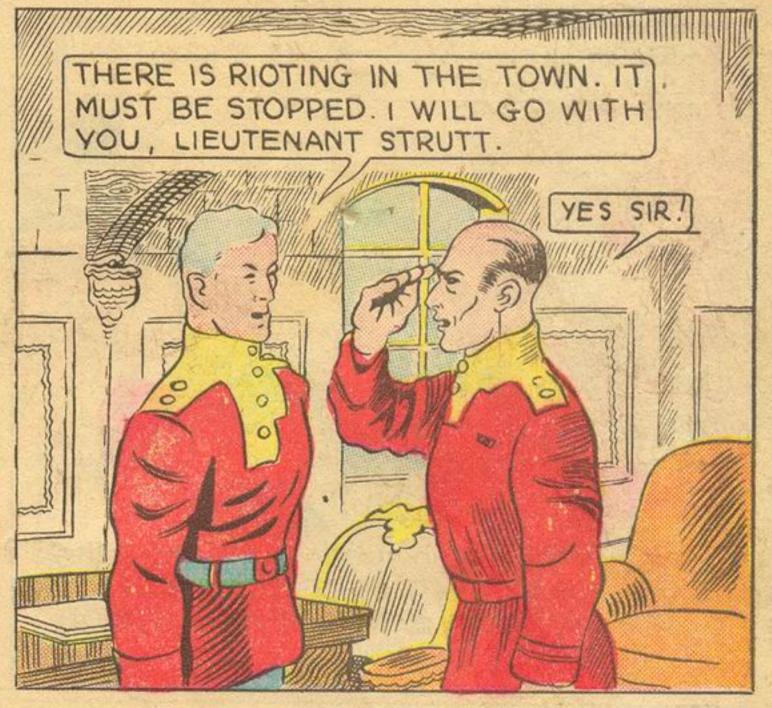






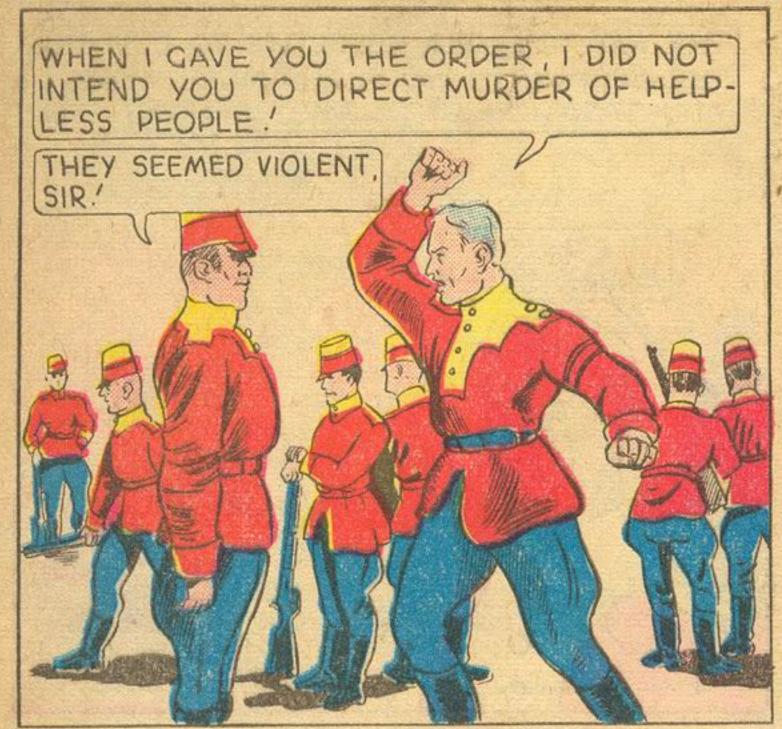










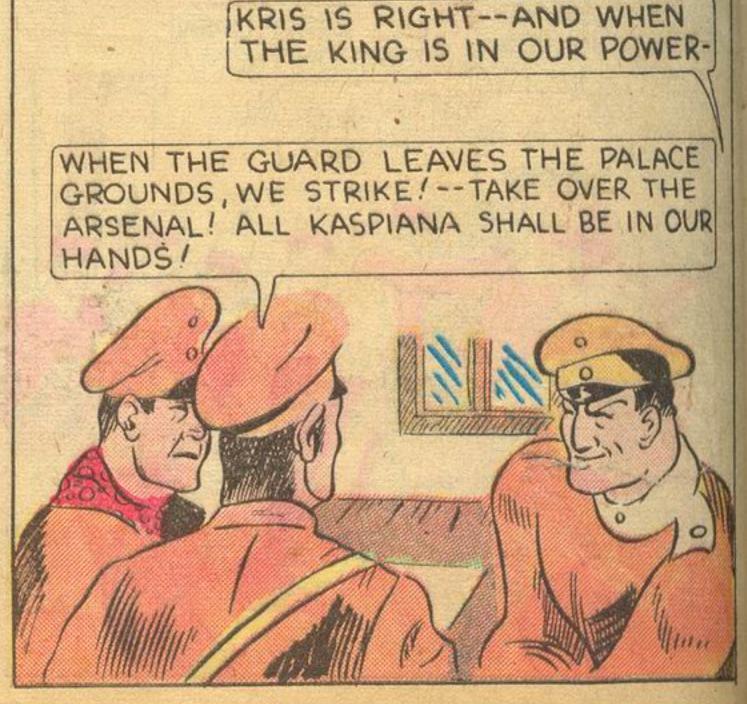








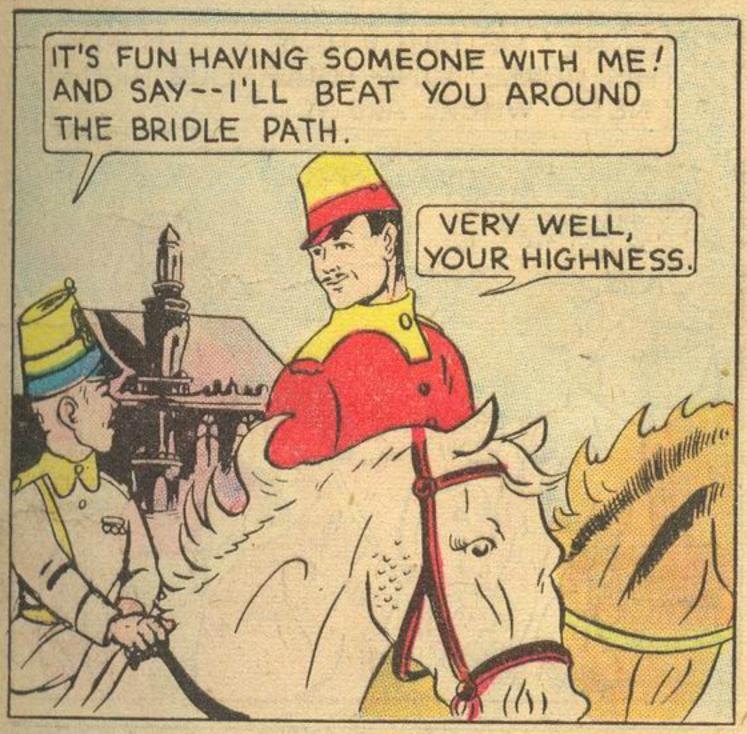


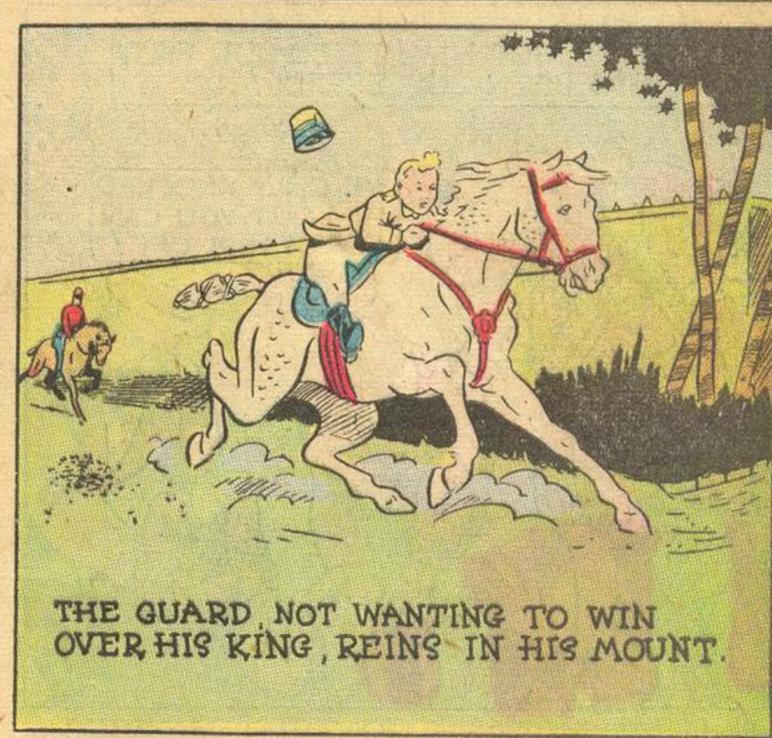




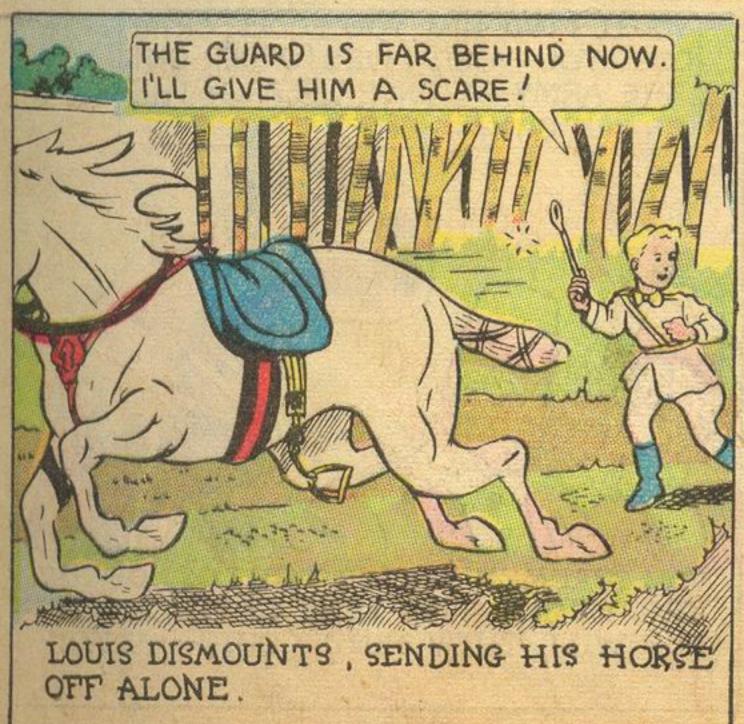


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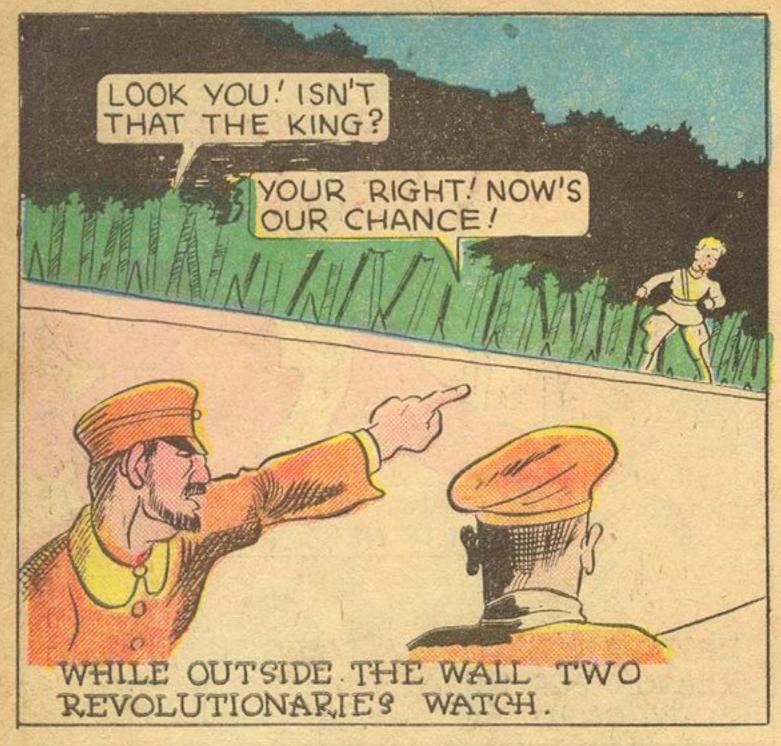




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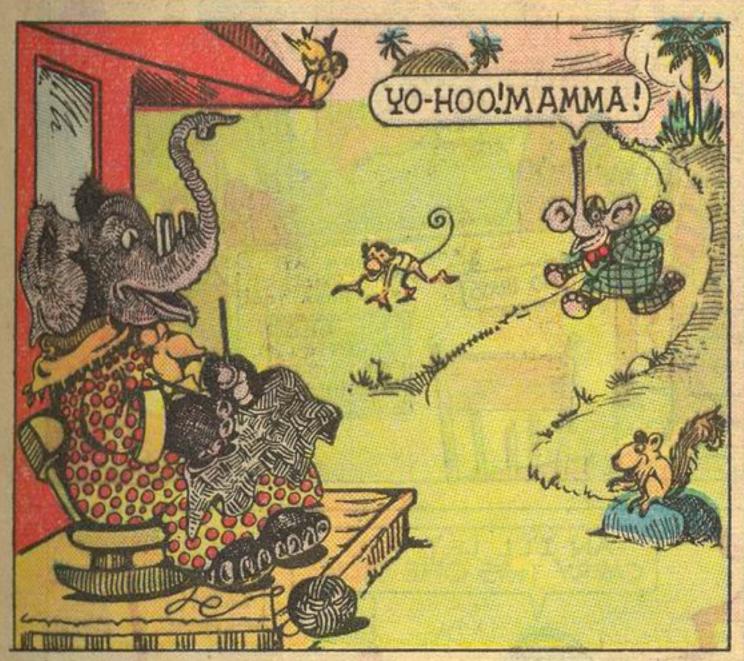


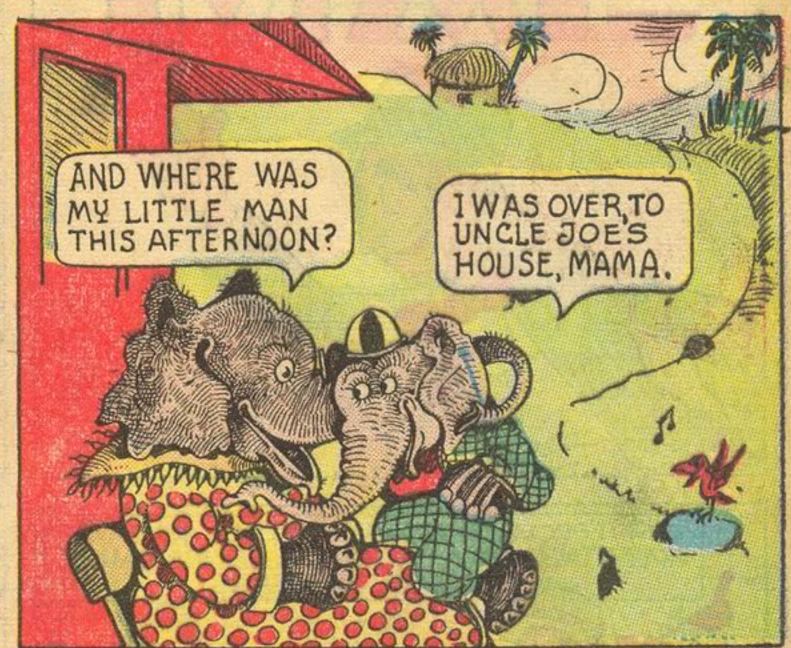


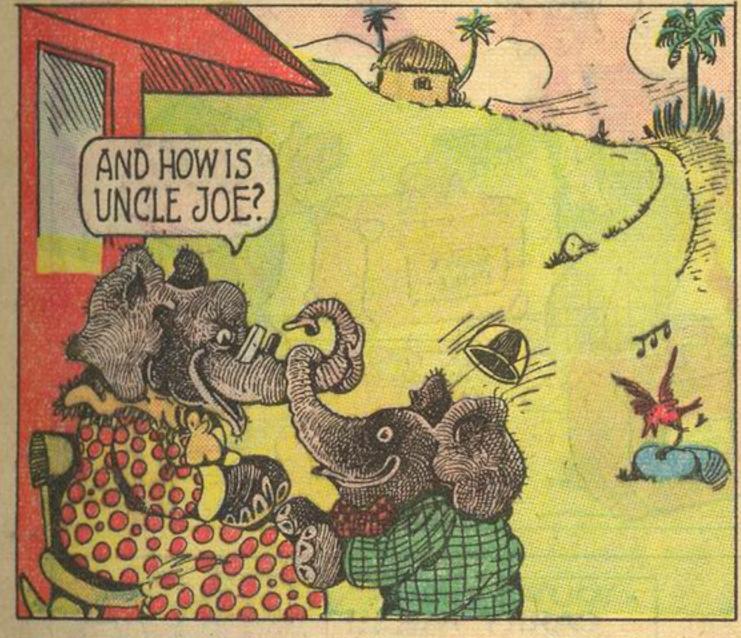


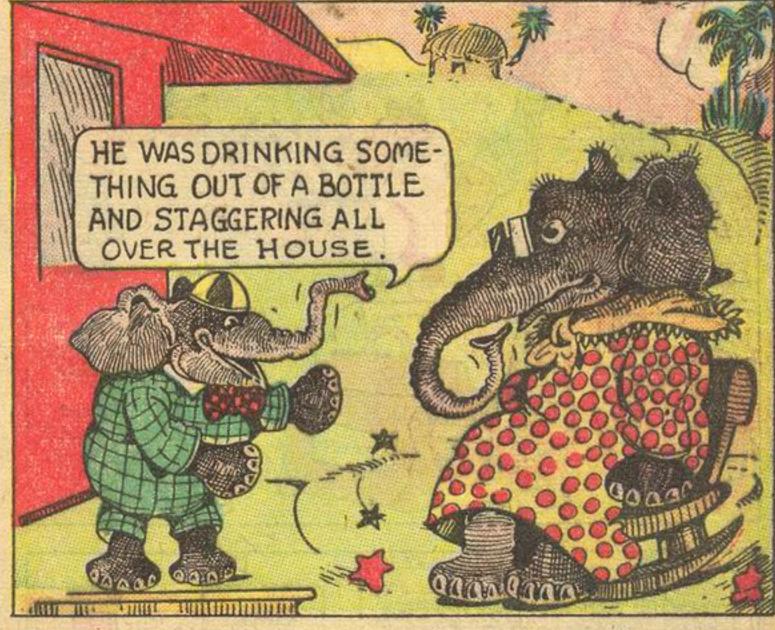


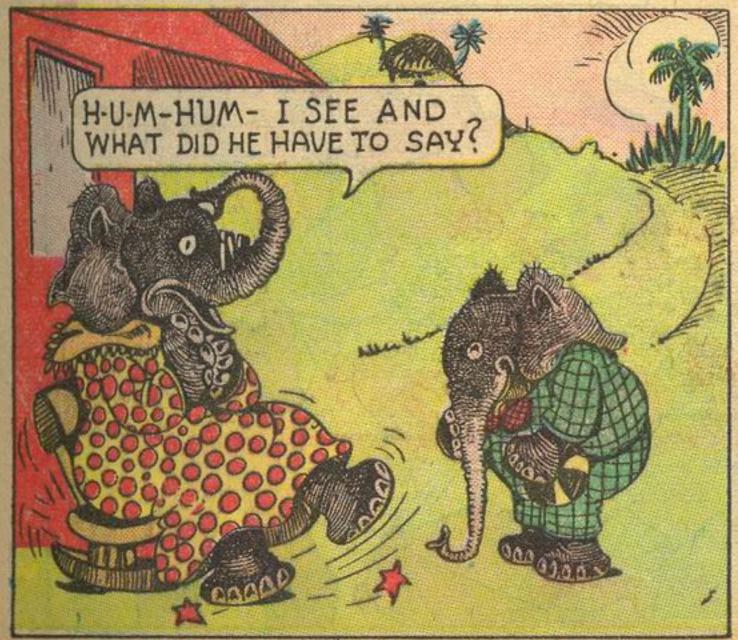
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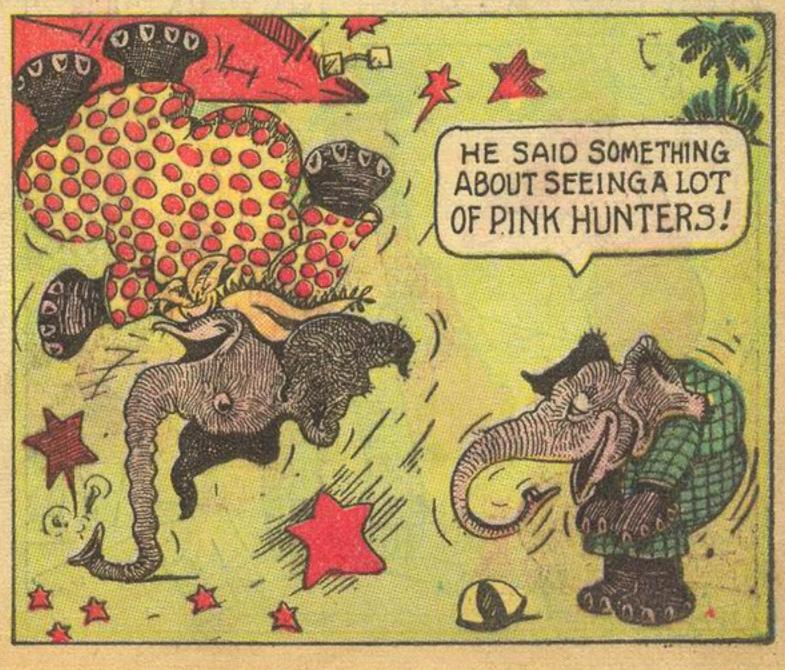


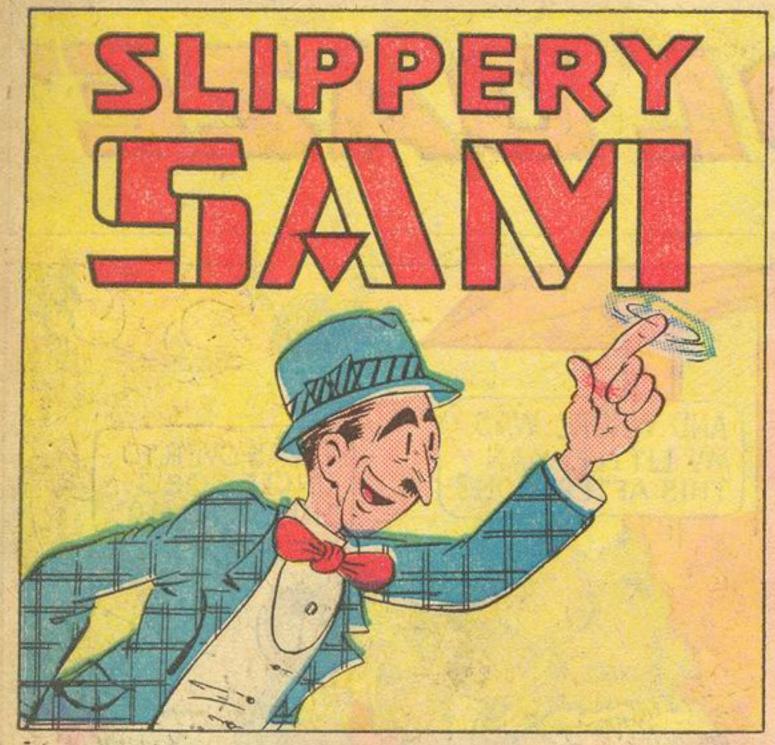


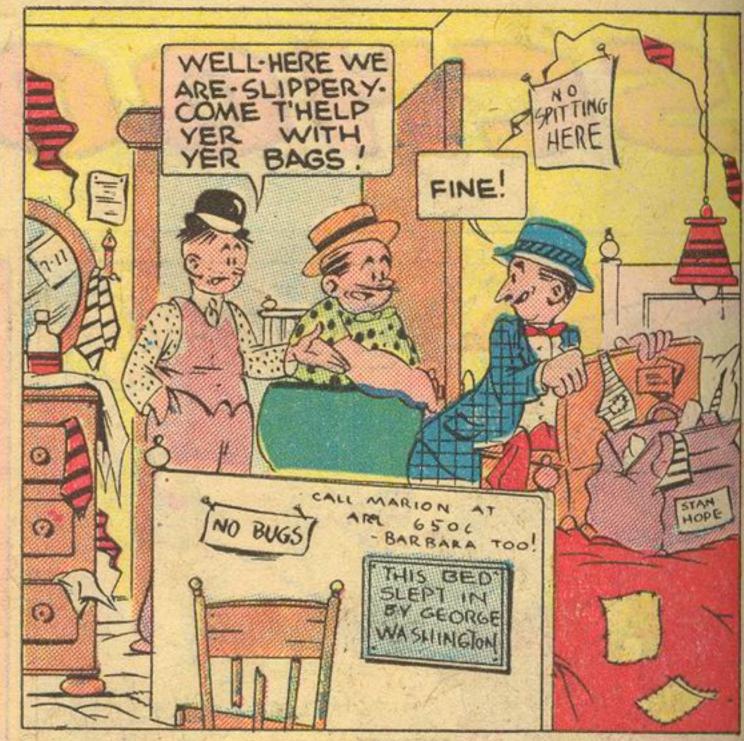








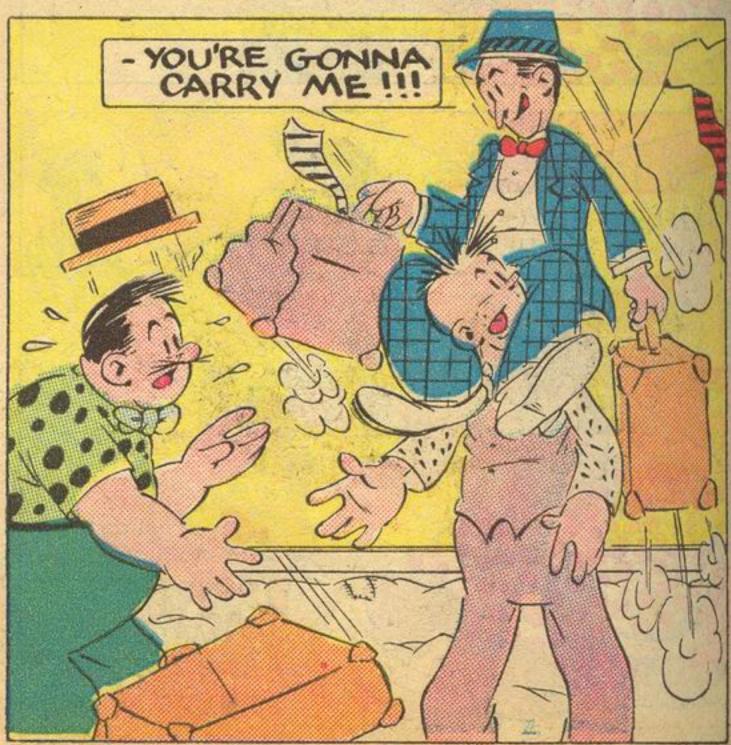


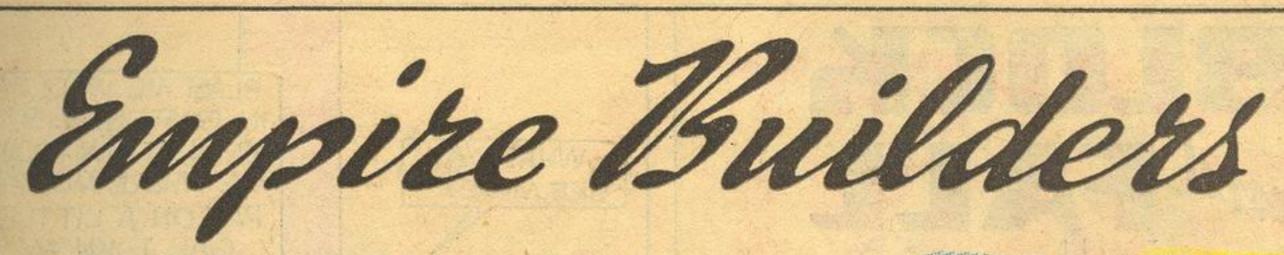


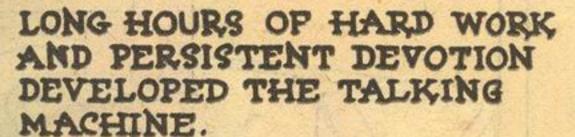


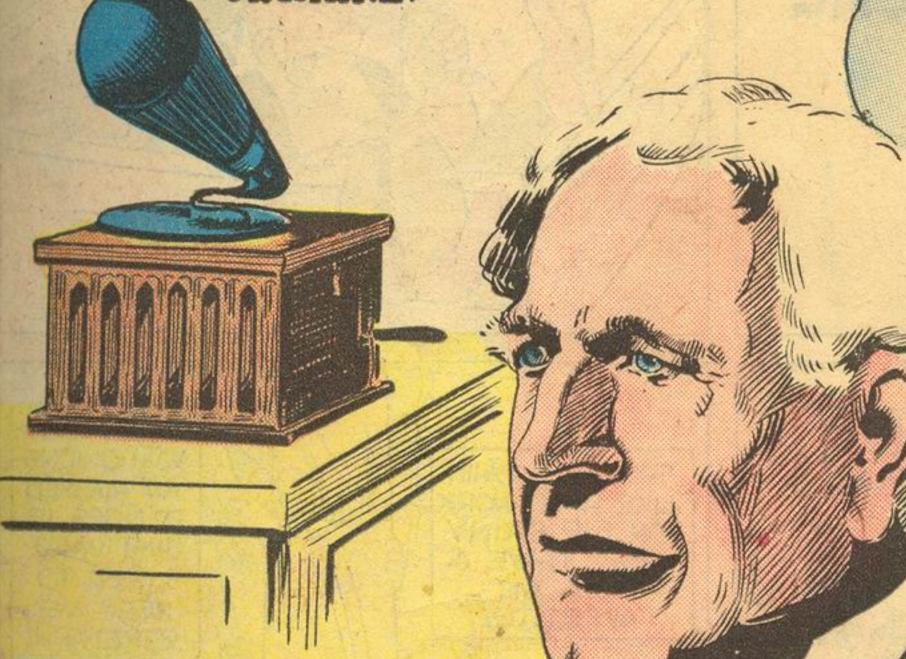










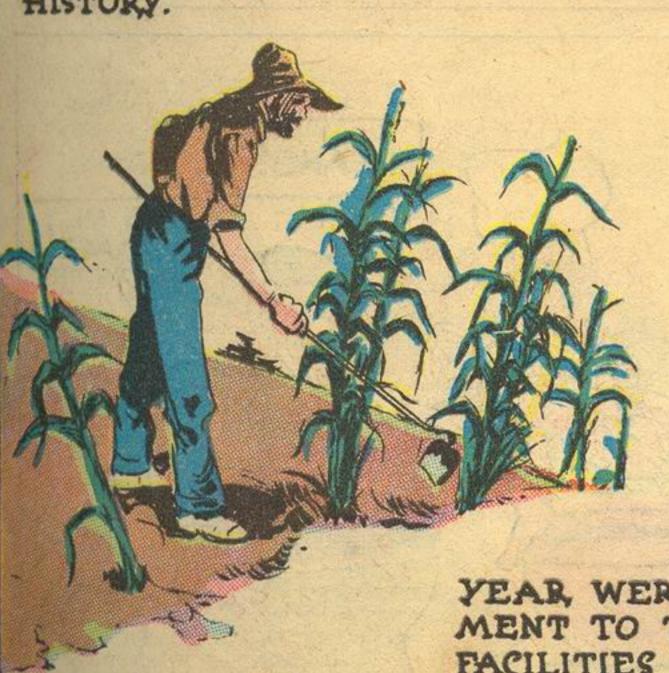


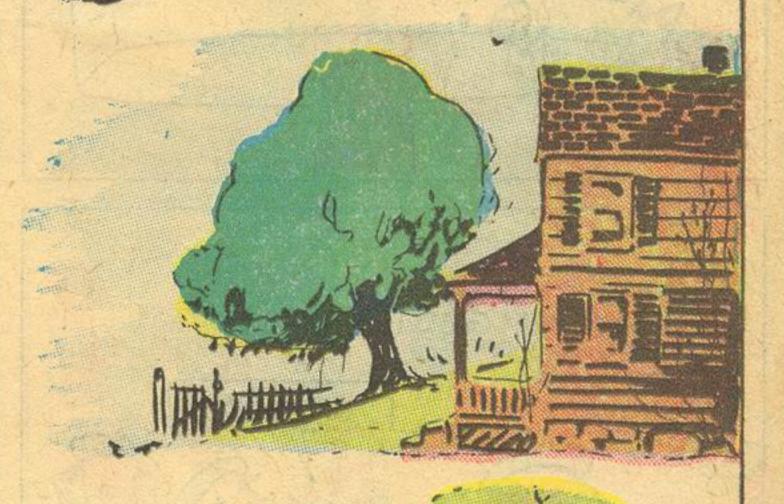
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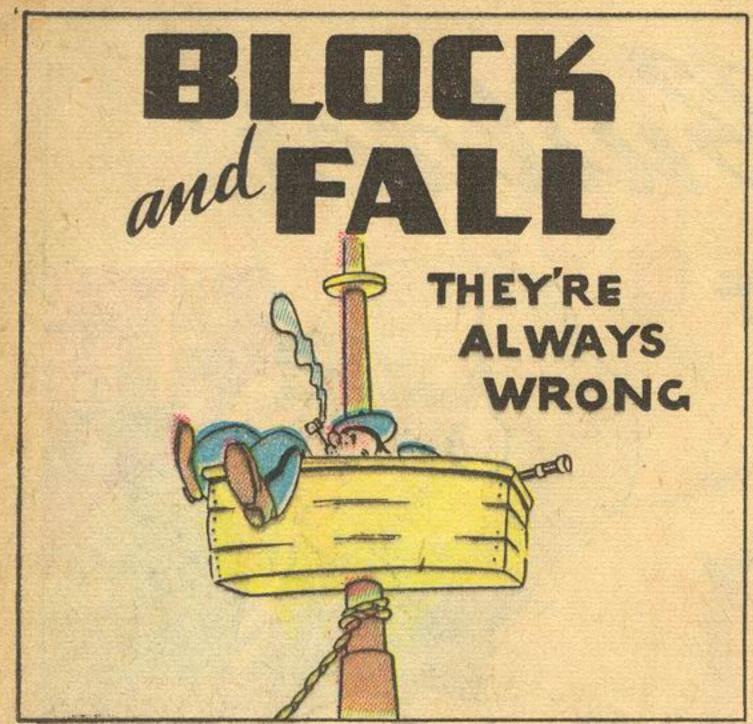
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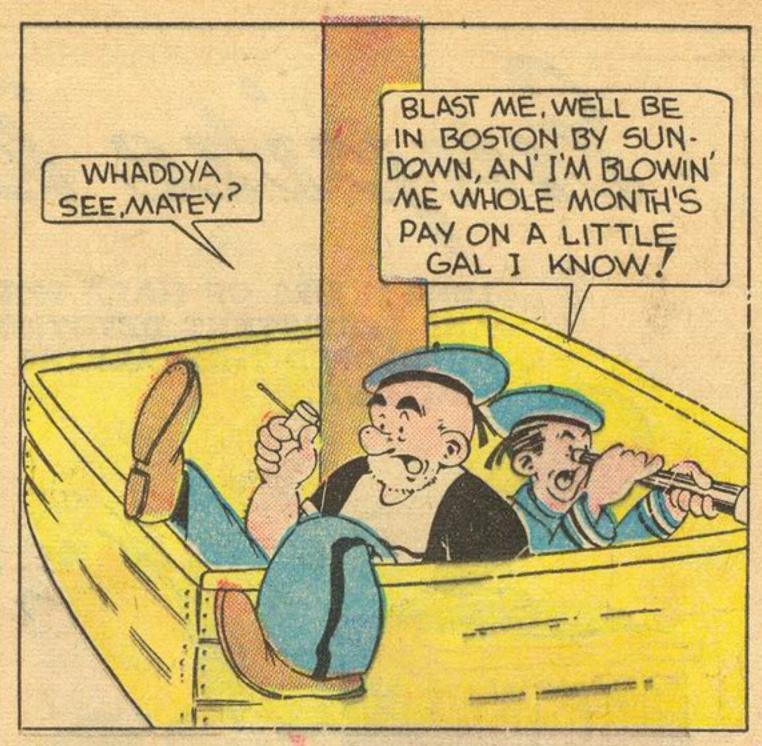


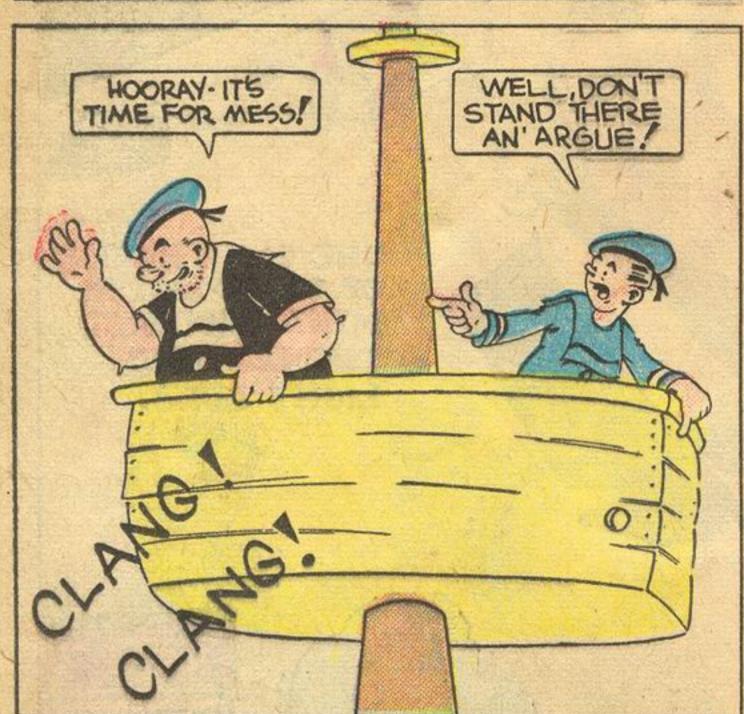


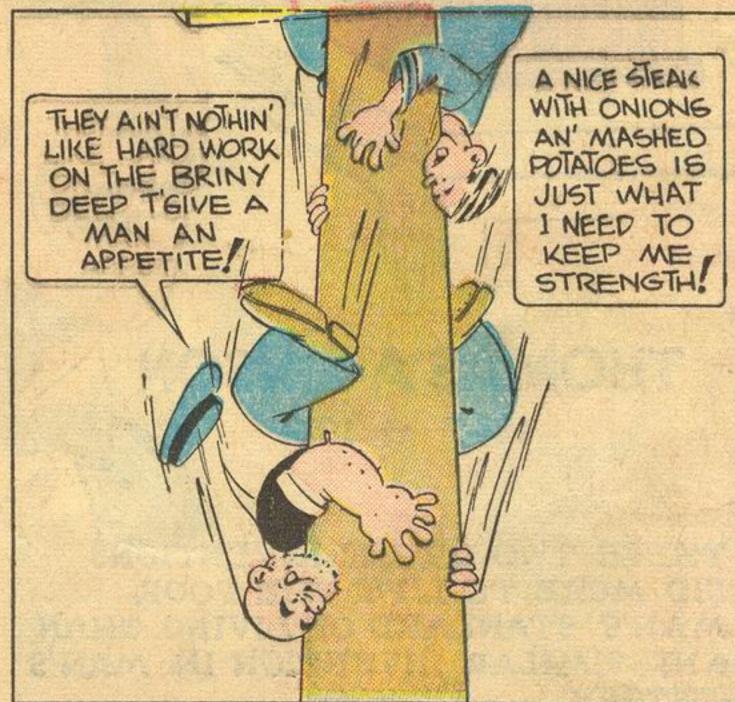
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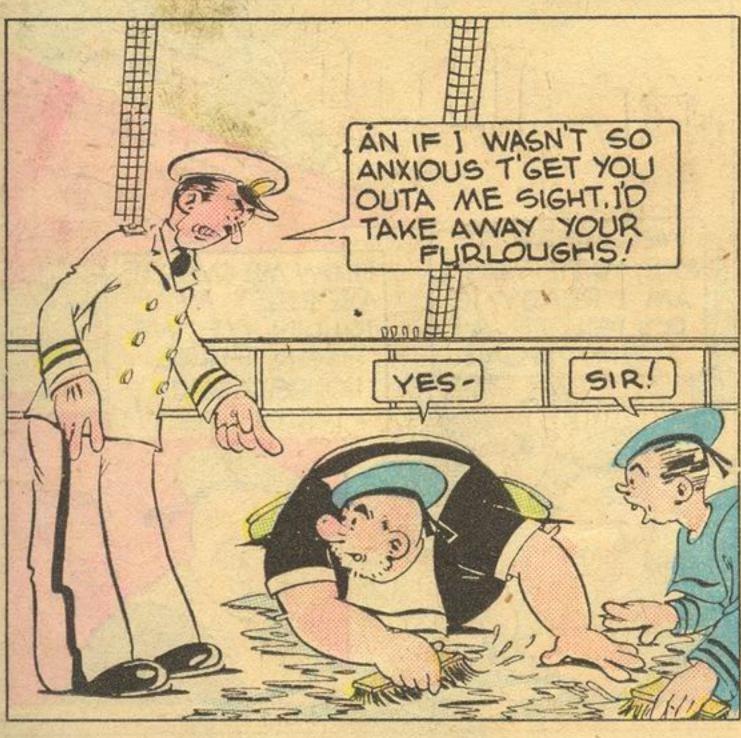












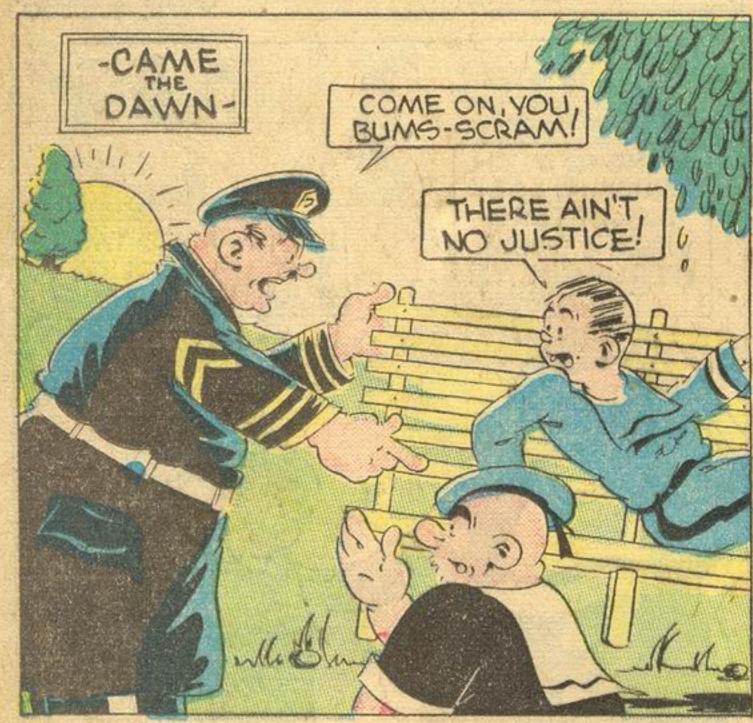






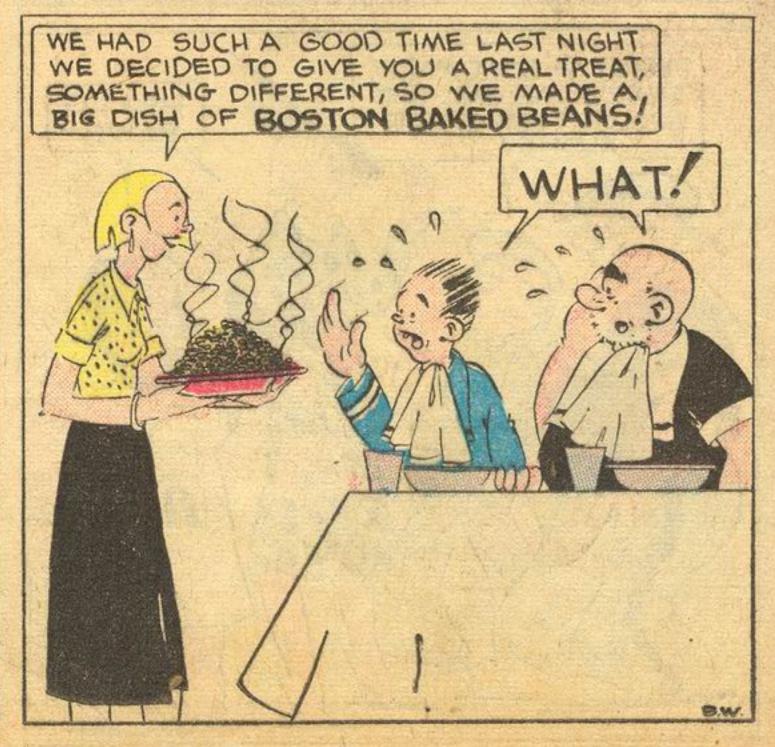




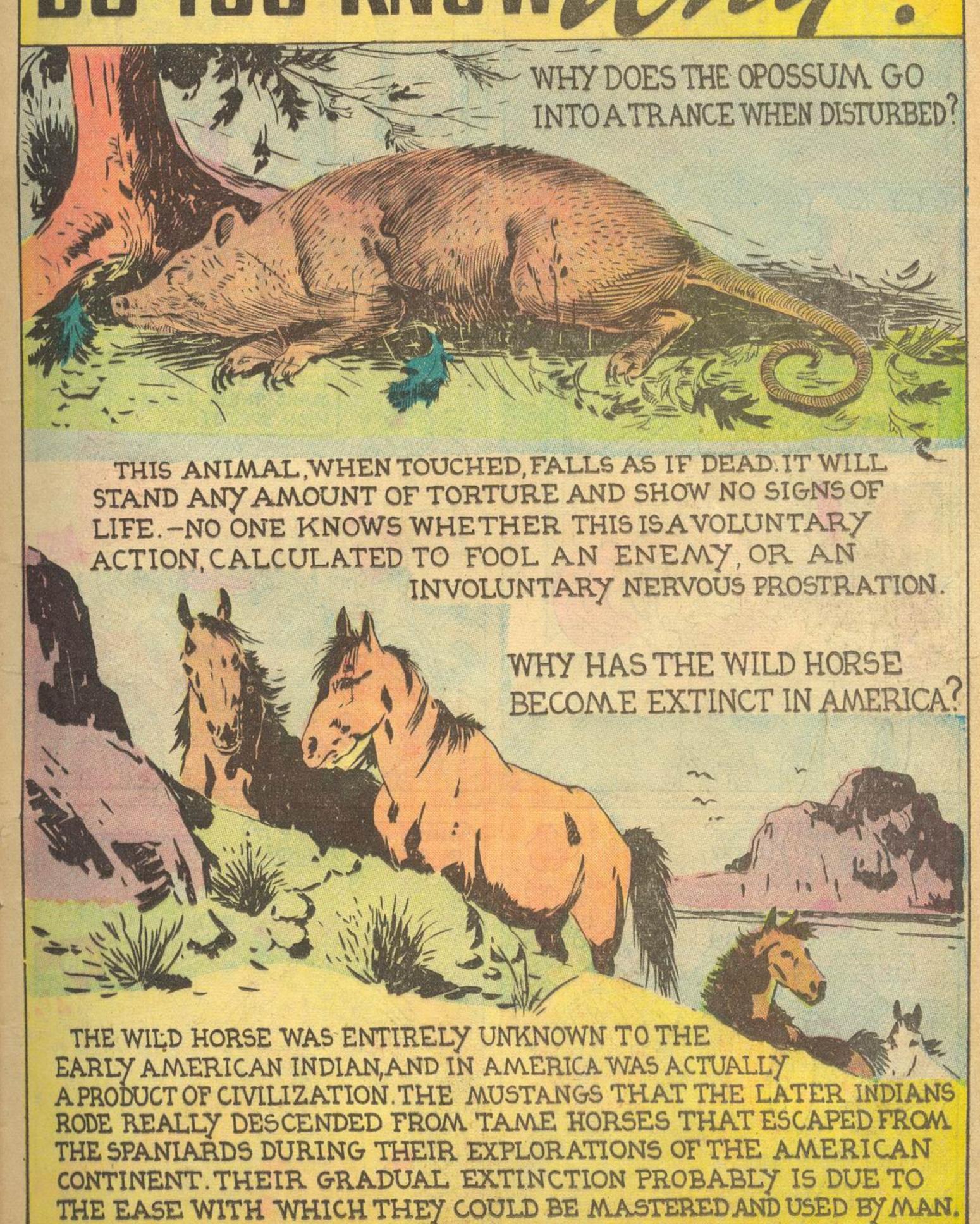


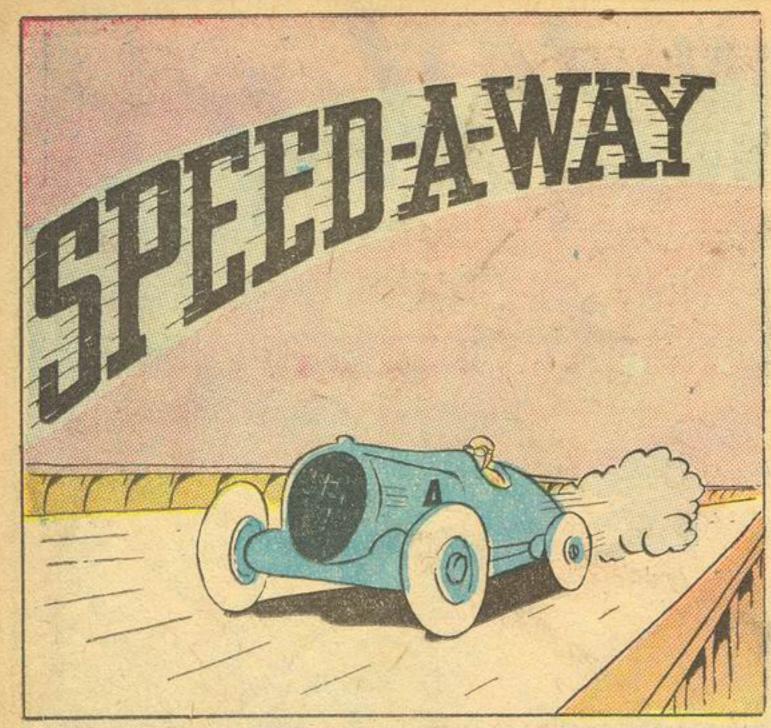


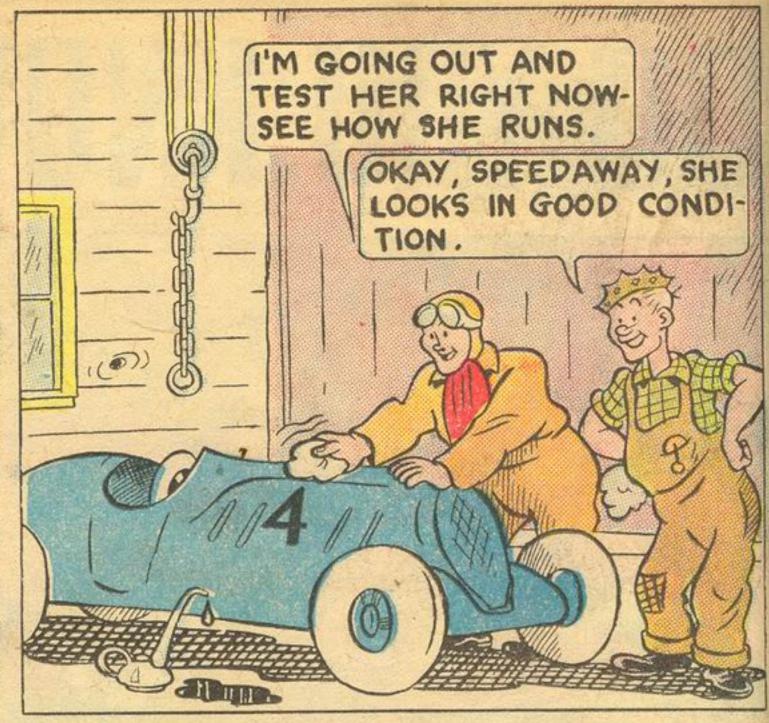




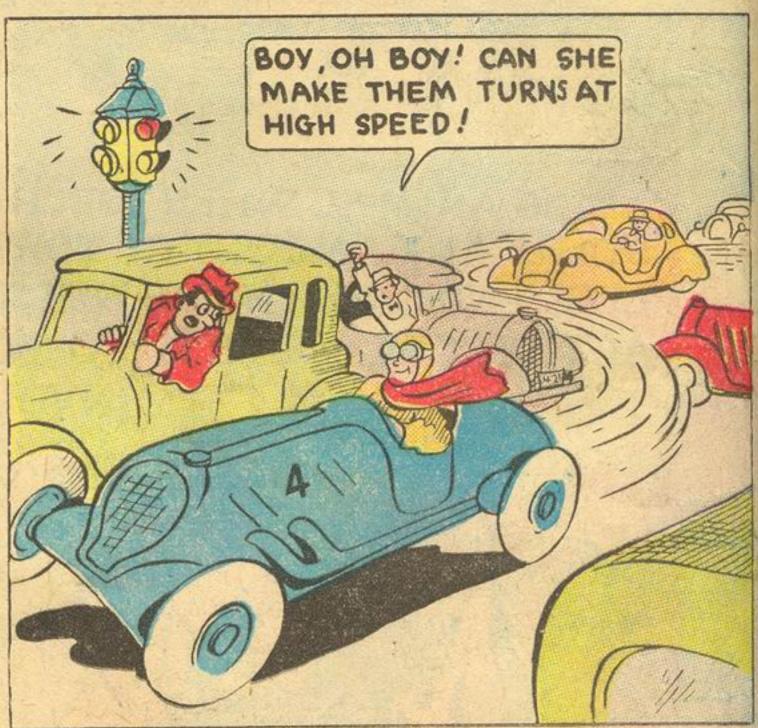


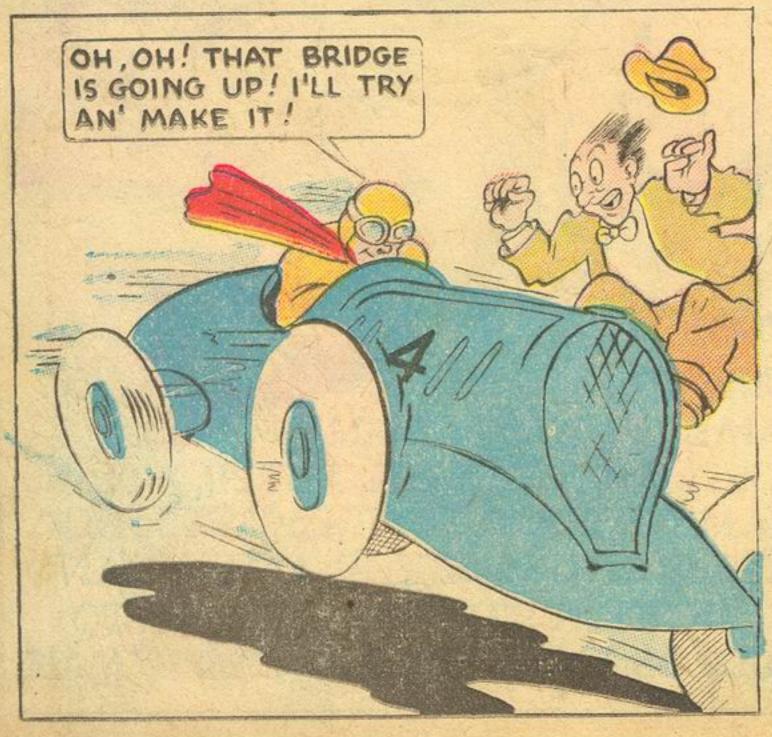


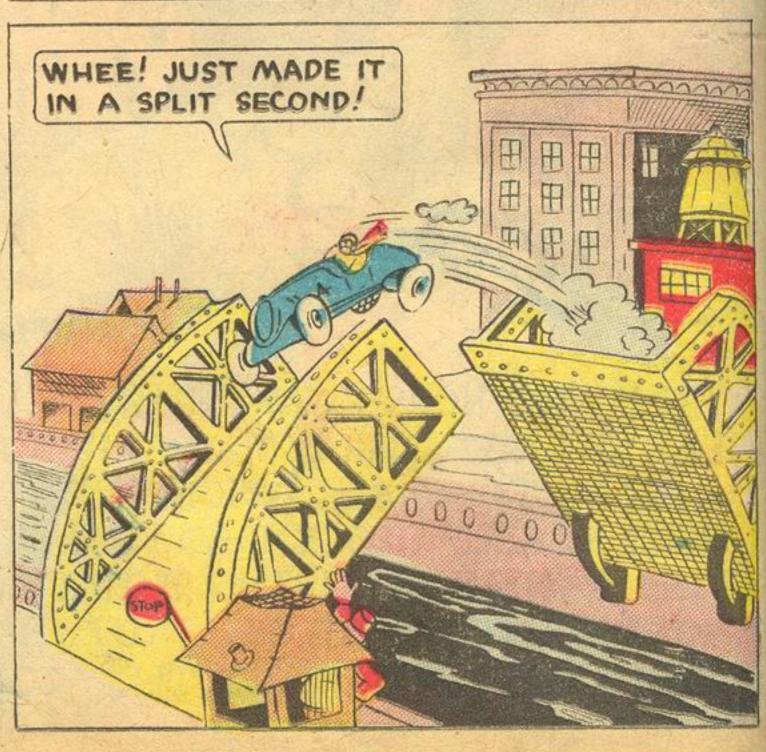




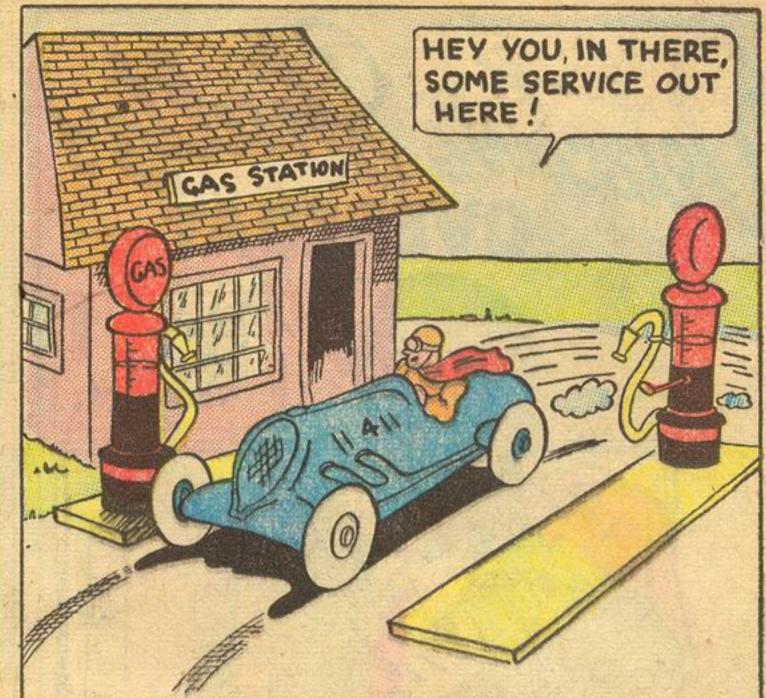


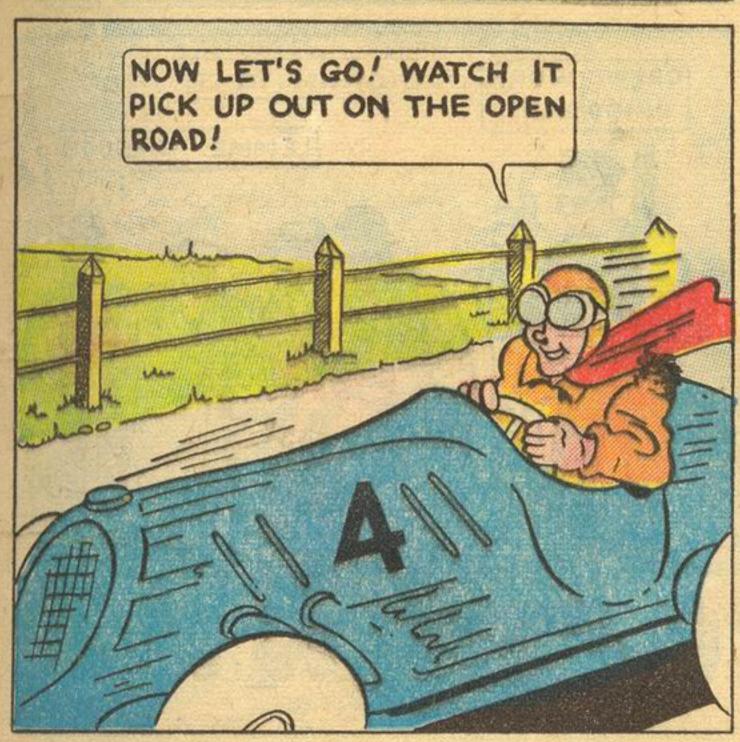


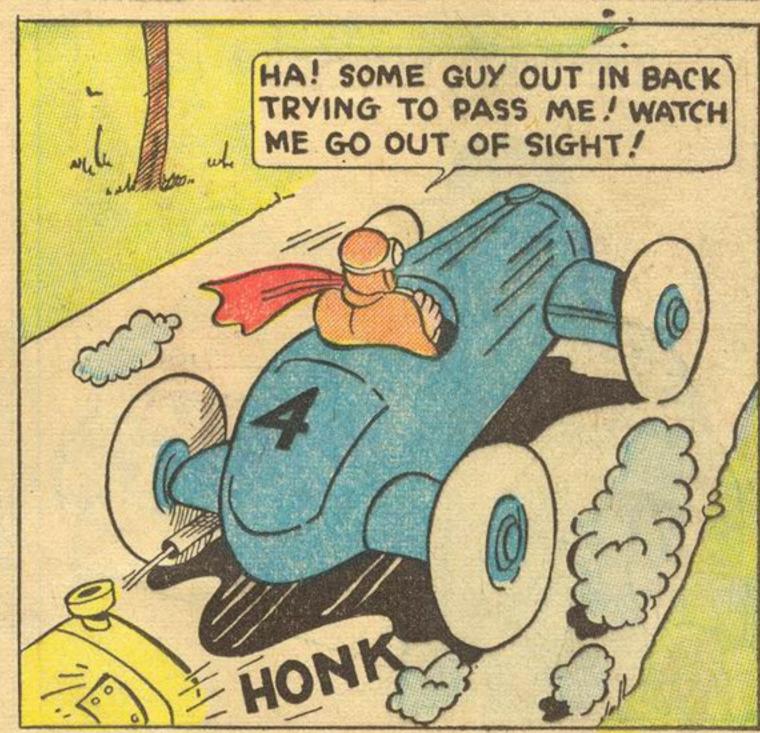


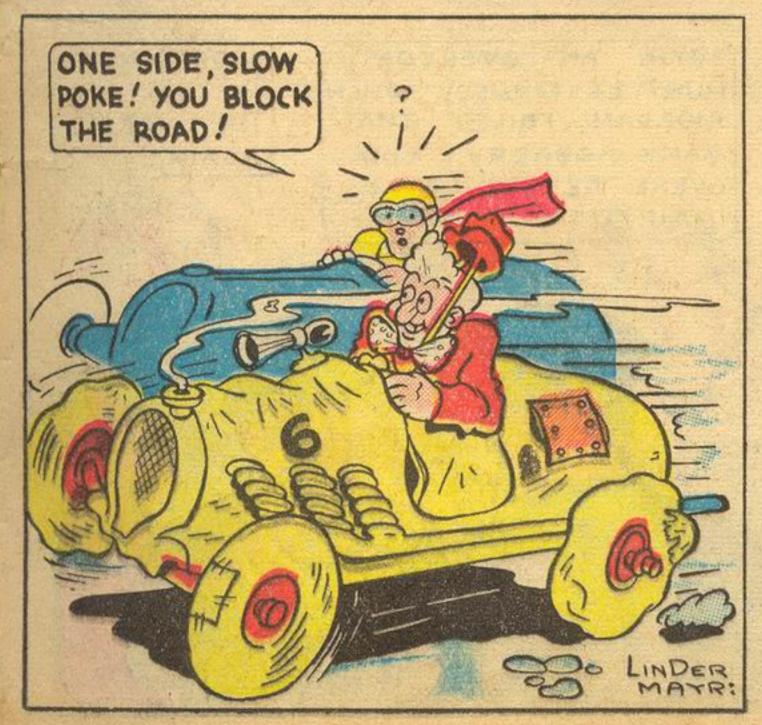


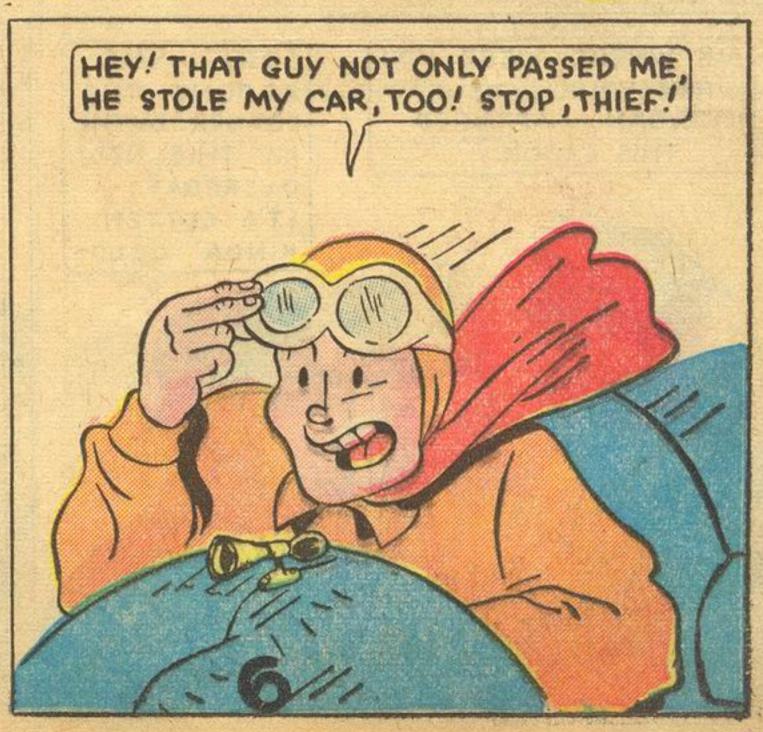






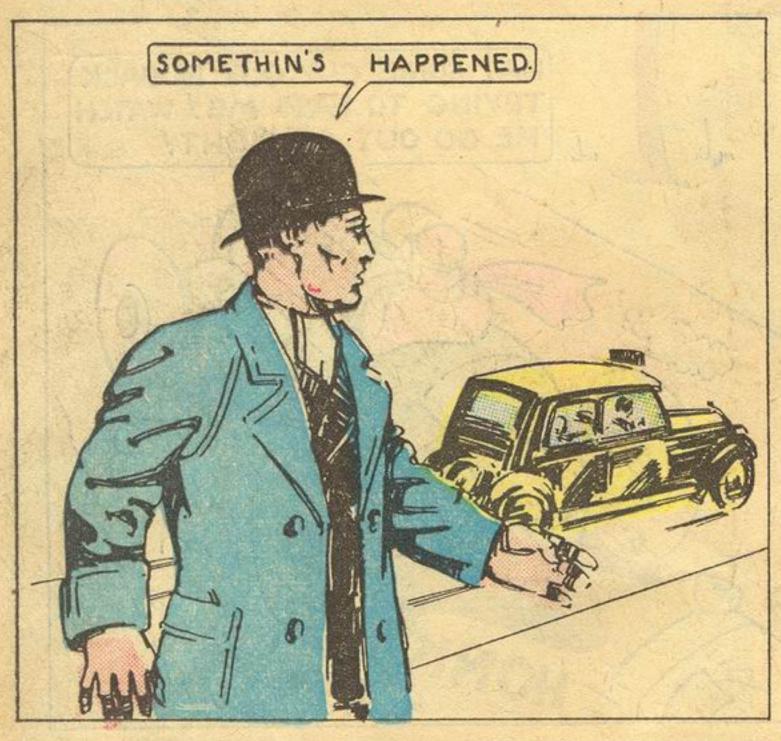












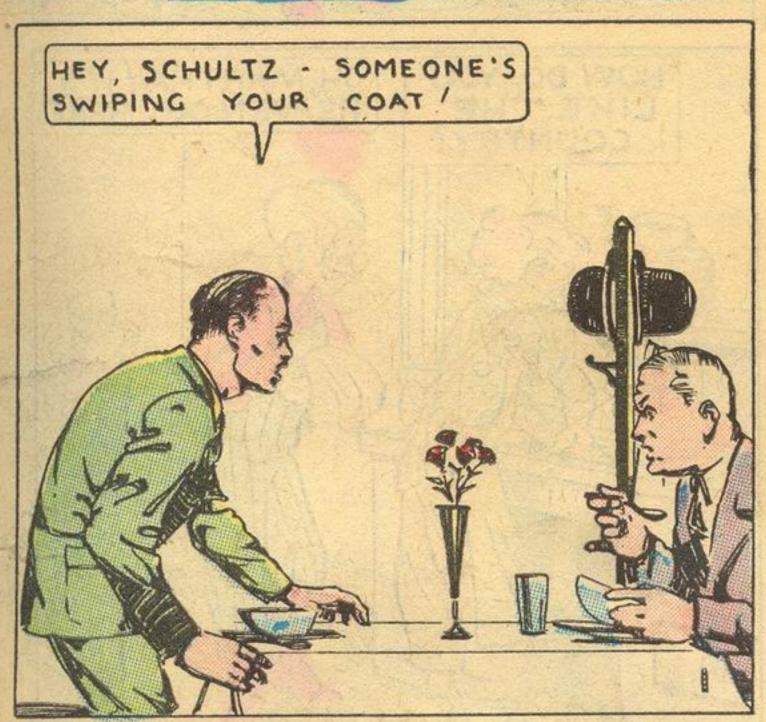








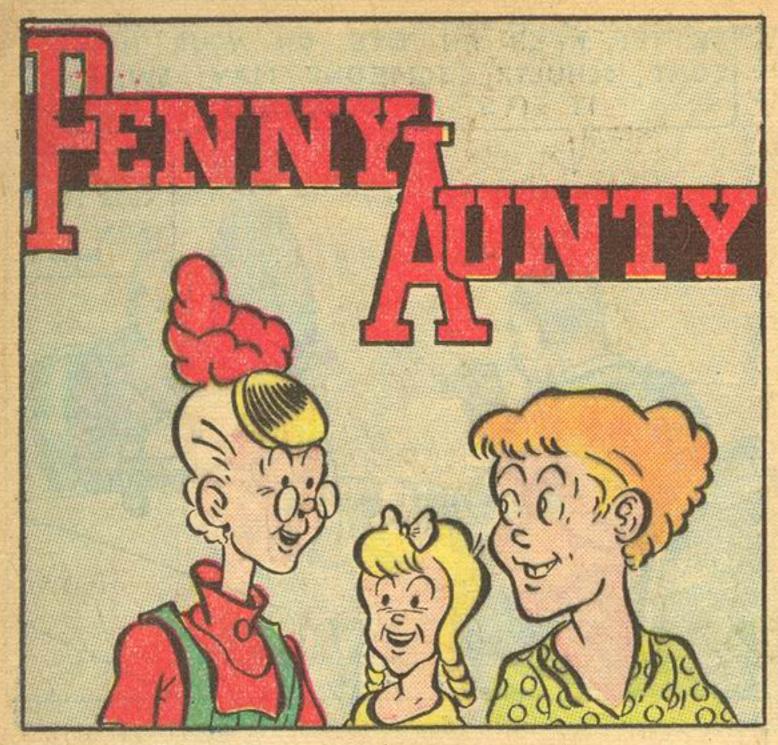


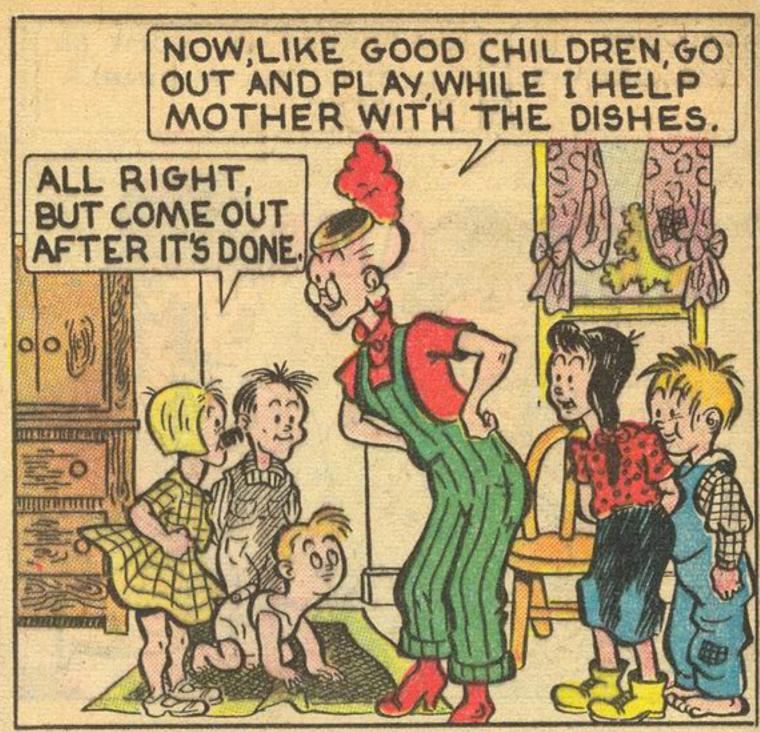




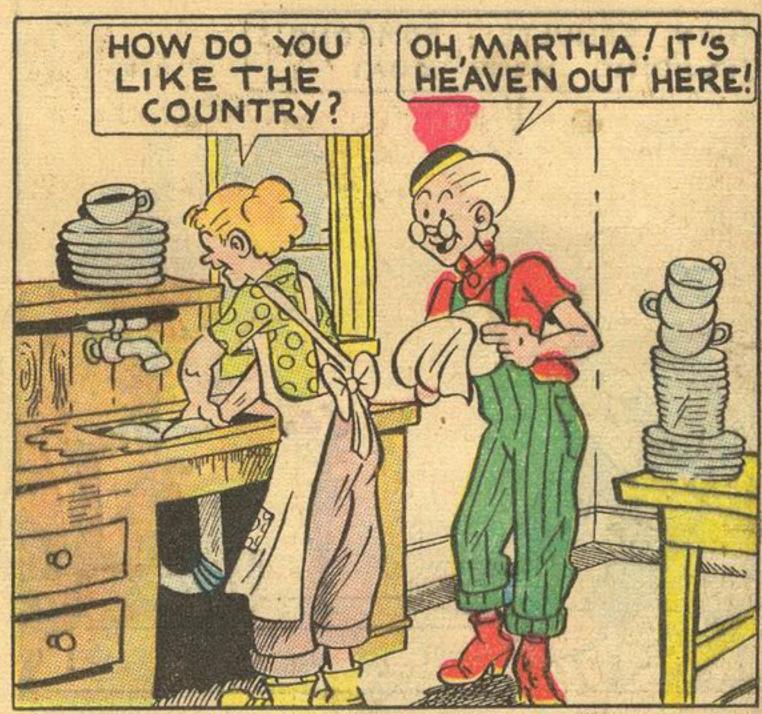


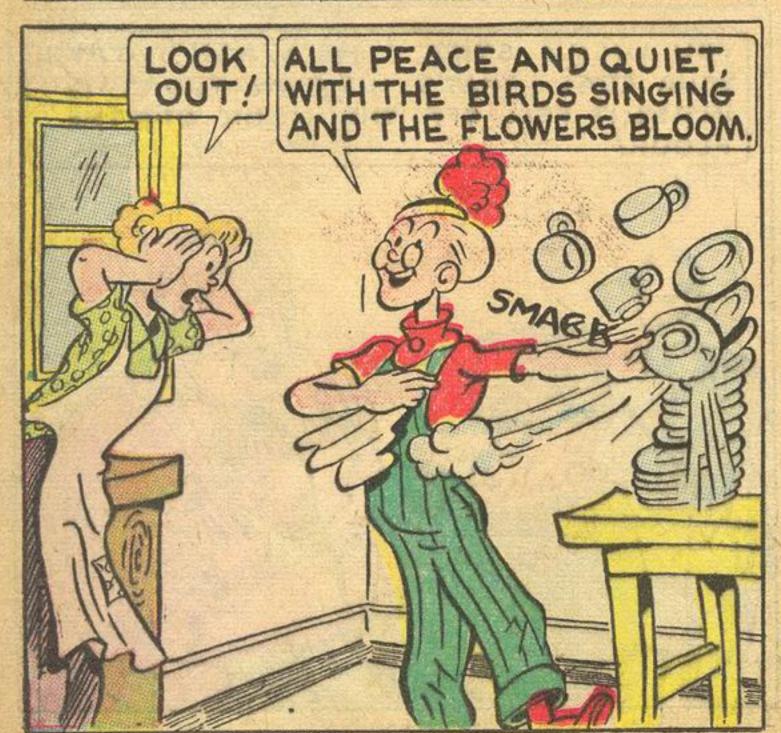


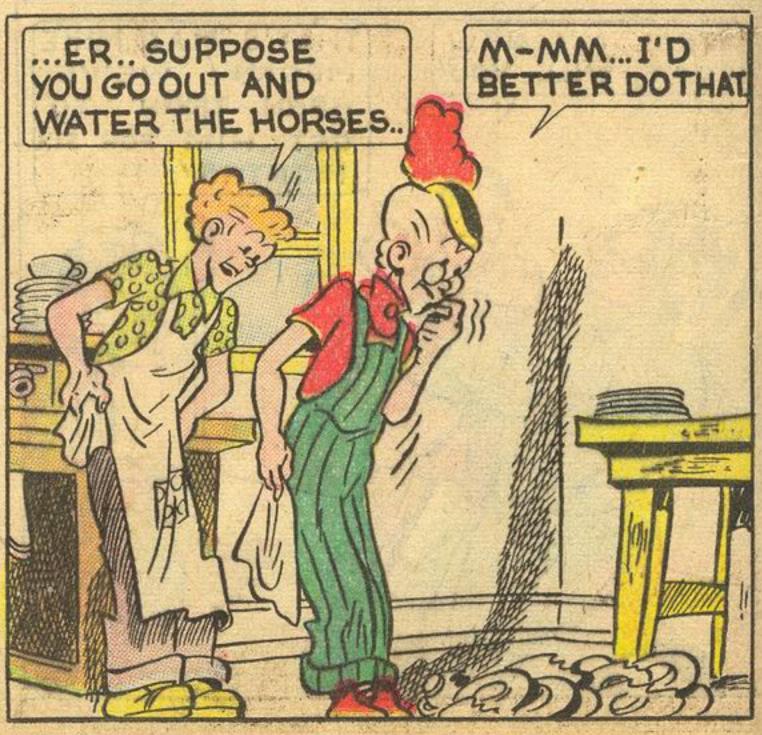






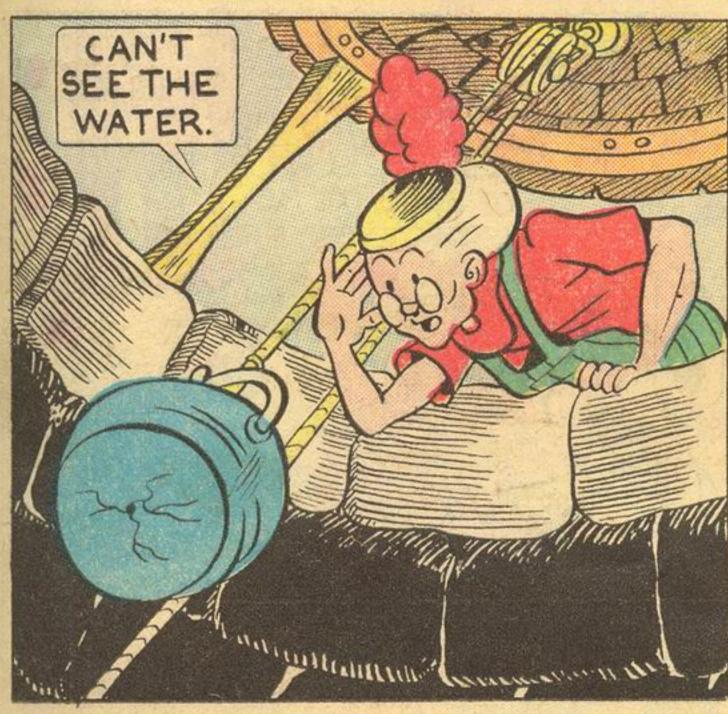


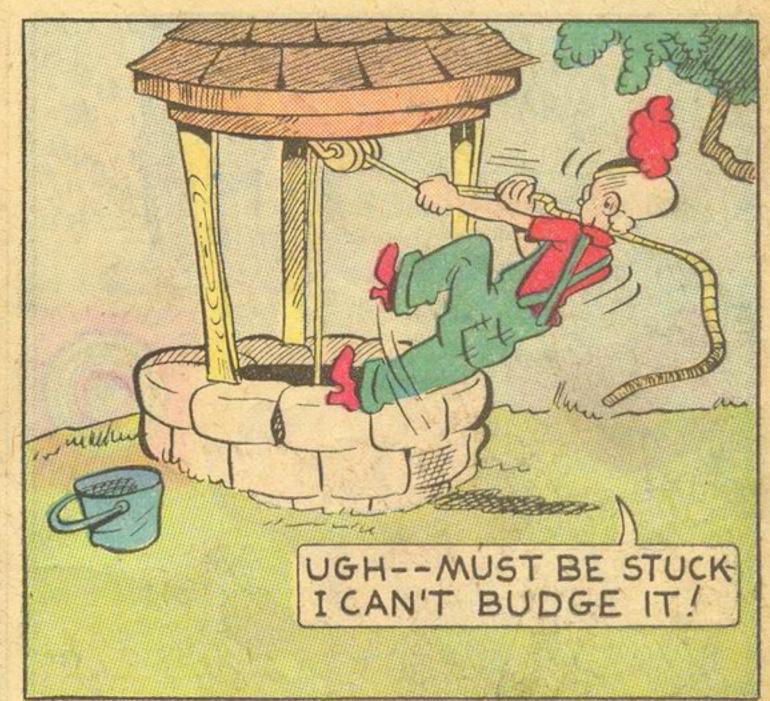






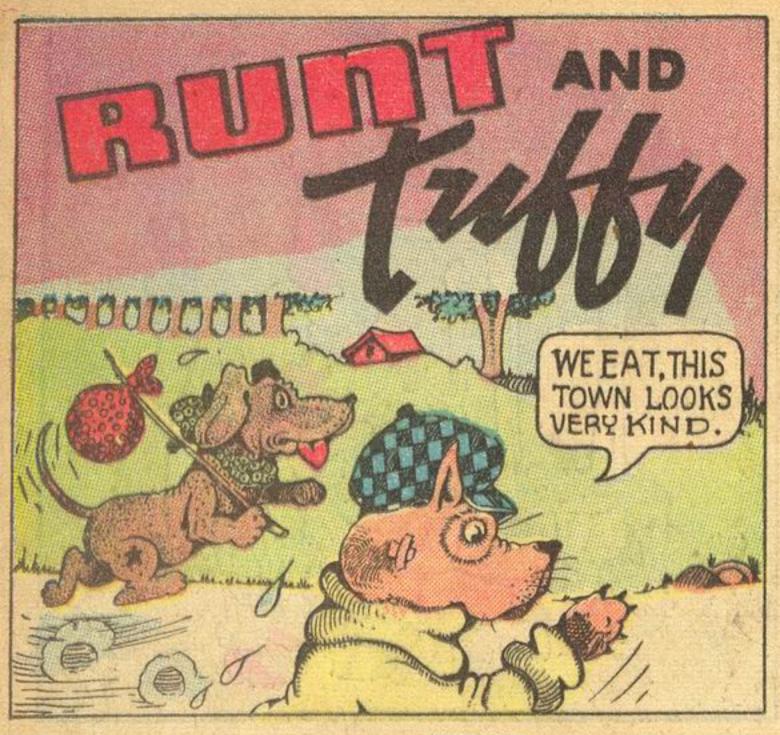




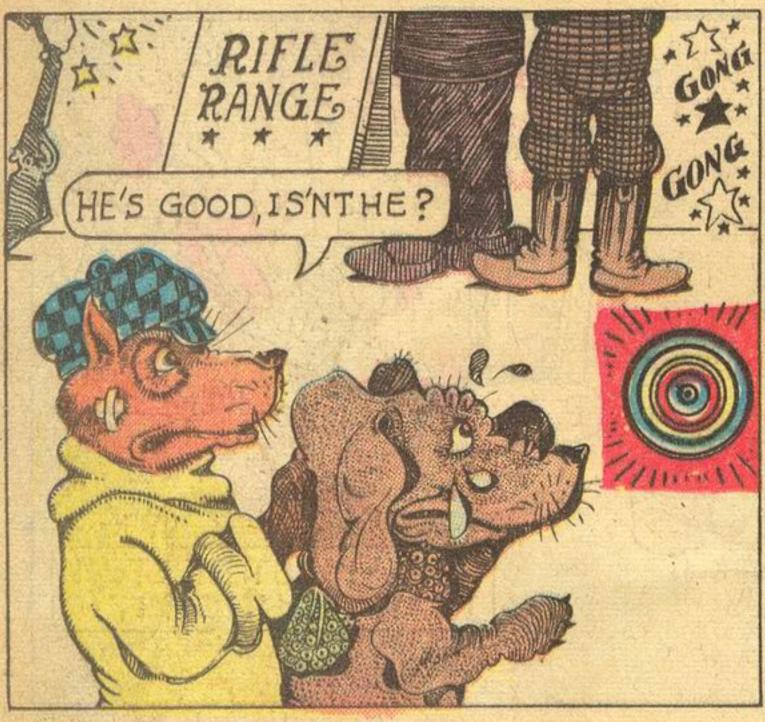


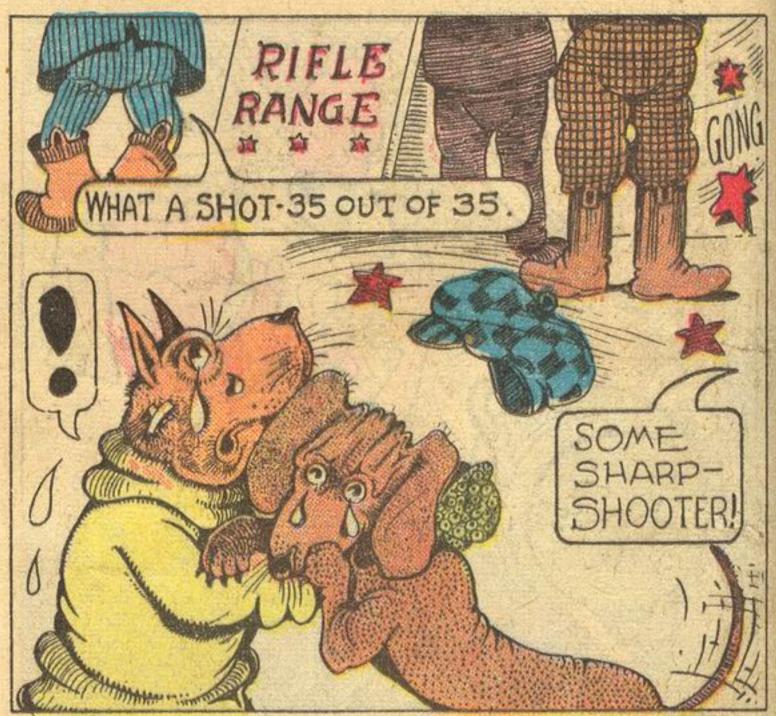




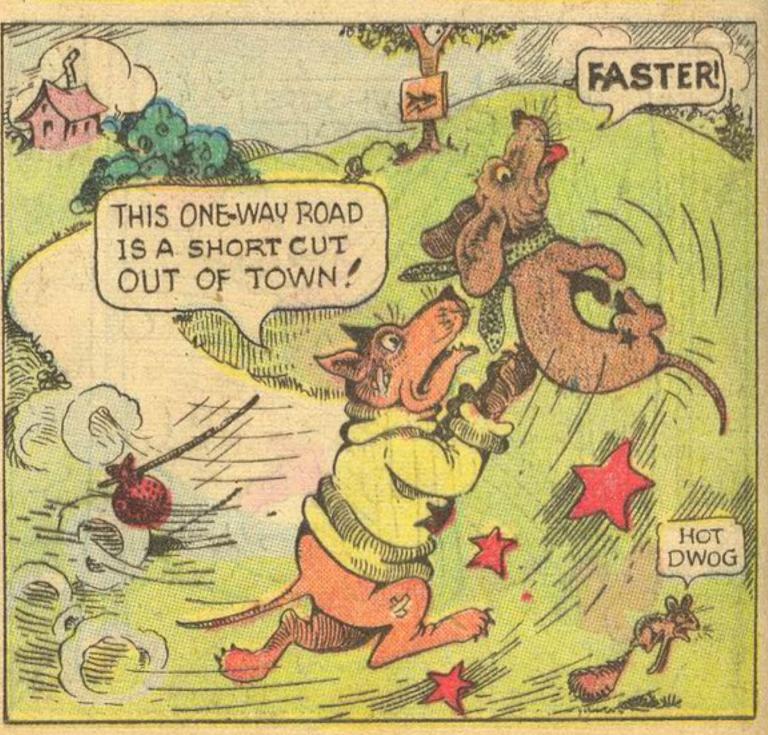














even a ladder down here. Looks to me like an invitation. Better be careful."

Dave was the first up the ladder. As his head came above decks, he hesitated, took a firm grip on his gun and made sure the safety was off. He slung one leg over the rail and stood alone on the deck of a deserted ship.

There wasn't a sign of life and a grim, grisly silence hung over the vessel. Without waiting for the others, Dave strode across the deck to the starboard side. Something caught his eye in the glare of the searchlights from his ship. There was a wet streak across the deck of the Mandora, as though some giant sea serpent had wriggled its way to the rail.

Shorty came over the rail with two sailors. "Stay on deck!" Dave ordered. "Keep your eye peeled for trouble. If there's anyone below, I'm going to smoke him out."

He crept down the companionway and found himself in a neatly arranged corridor. Cabins were interspaced off this hall and every door was wide open. Dave found a light switch, snapped it and the quarters were flooded with light.

The radio room was straight ahead and he made his way toward it warily. He could expect to meet almost anything, but not once did he hesitate. It was Dave's way to face any danger squarely and never give ground before it.

The door of the radio room was closed. He turned the knob, kicked the door wide open and stepped quickly aside in the event that his greeting would be a hail of bullets. But nothing happened. He edged around the corner, turned on the lights and stood staring at the bench on which the radio instruments were placed.

He saw that they were wrecked beyond repair. Tubes were smashed in their sockets and wires were strewn about the room. But Dave had eyes only for a grisly stain sopped up by the big blotting pad in front of what was left of the sending set. He touched the crimson stain with his finger. It was damp. The amount of blood told a grim tale. The radio operator was dead—murdered!

Dave began to search the room. His keen eyes first noticed that the pad or radiograms had turned a vivid yellow. He tried to tear one page off, but it fell to pieces, like century old paper. Two minutes later Dave looked quickly at his fingertips. They were stained also and jabs of pain coursed through each finger.

His forehead puckered in a deep frown. Turning, he examined the rest of the room. With the muzzle of his gun, he touched a brilliant array of plumes stuck in an old bottle. They fell away like dust. An acrid odor assailed his nostrils.

He wheeled, stalked out of the radio room and into the first cabin he came to. There he



Dave shook his head. "He's undoubtedly been murdered. I did find that his set was ruined and that he probably mended it well enough to send us his S. O. S. Then it was wrecked again, this time completely."

found similar traces of some burning acid over everything. The grill work of the ventilator was green with corrosion. In every room he found a similar scene.

But there wasn't a soul aboard. This was a ghost ship, bereft of crew and passengers. Shorty hurried below. Dave warned him

"Don't touch a thing! The entire ship has been sprayed with something that burns the flesh. I've had a mild taste of it already."

"Did you find the radio operator?" Shorty cried.

"Then there are pirates—killers—aboard," Shorty gasped. "I'll go on deck and signal for more men."

"Wait!" Dave snapped. "There is no one here, but this ship is as dangerous as though an epidemic of cholera was aboard. I've an idea what happened here, but I'm not sure

yet."

He led Shorty to the captain's quarters. The door was wide open and they stepped inside the spacious cabin. The safe that had held the first shipment of diamonds yawned wide and empty. All papers were yellow, as if with great age and the ventilator was green with corrosion.

"Something terrible happened here,"
Shorty gasped. "You can almost feel death."
Dave's eyes were narrowed and his mouth



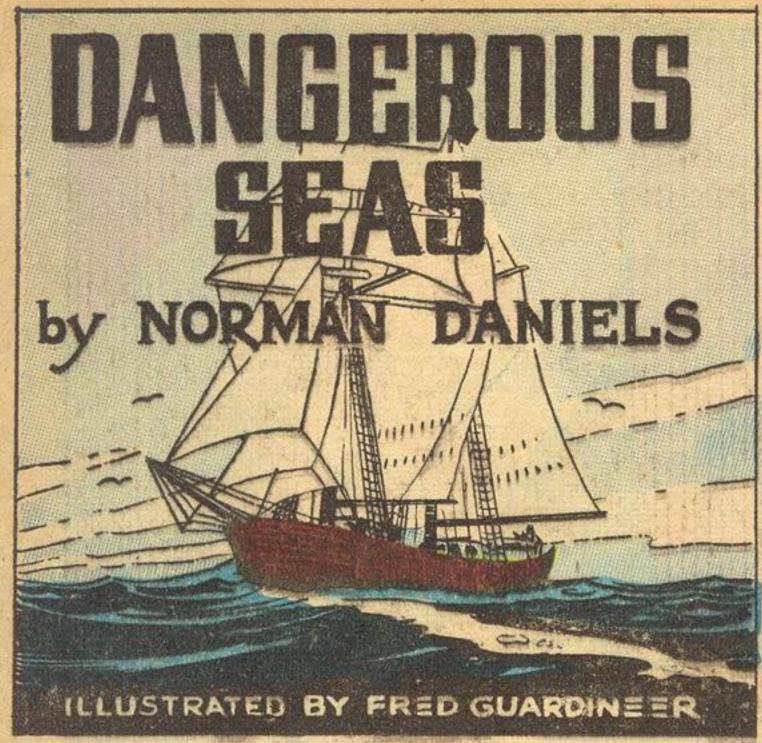


"Nobody went down with her," Dave said.

"The bomb was set off by a simple timing device. I spotted a candle burning in a corner of the engine room. Before I could do anything about it, the flame struck the fuse. We didn't get off that deck any too soon."

"But what is it all about?" Shorty asked.





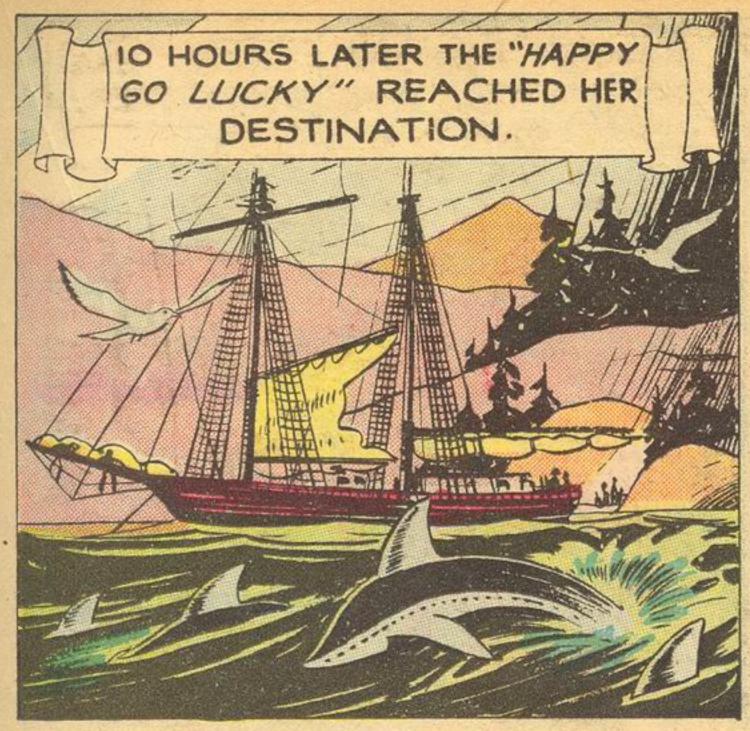
































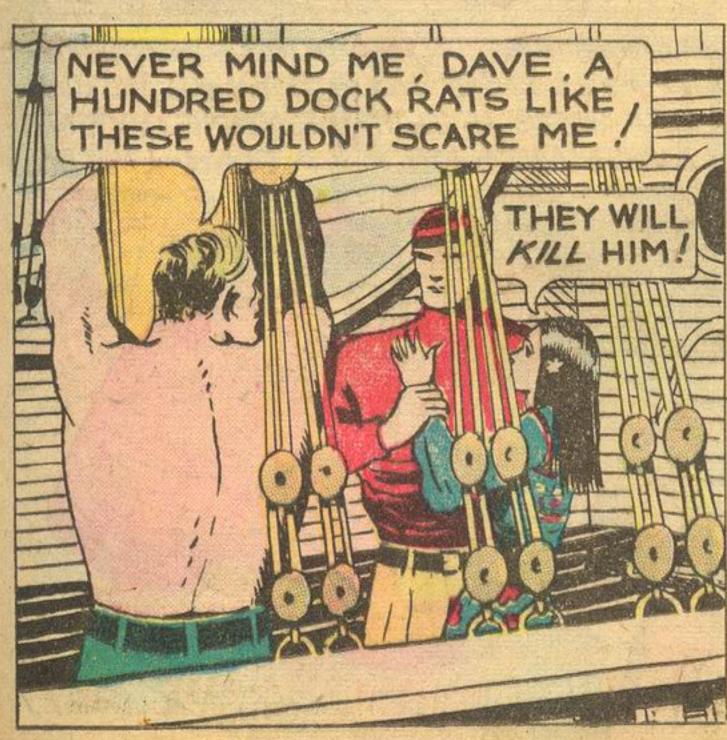






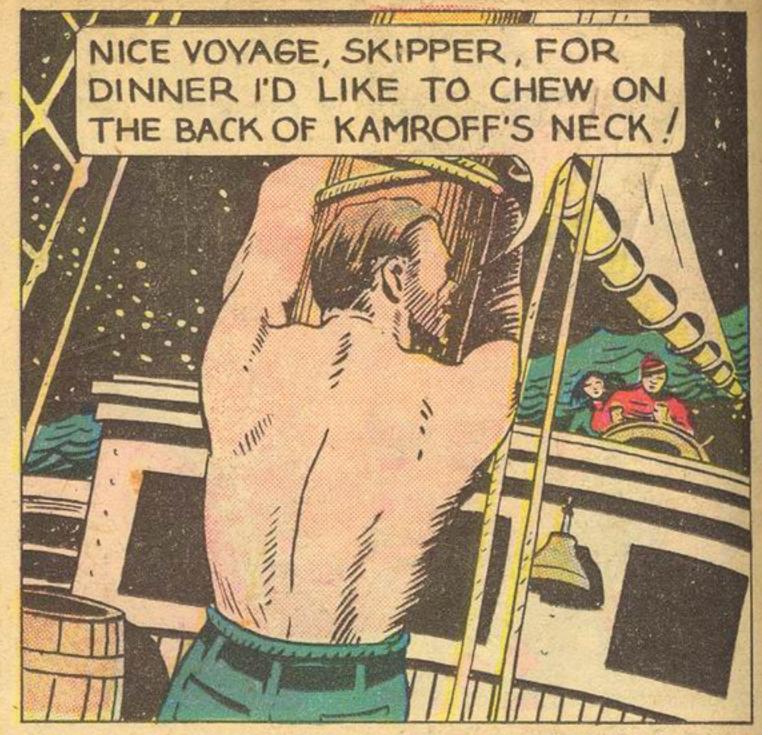




















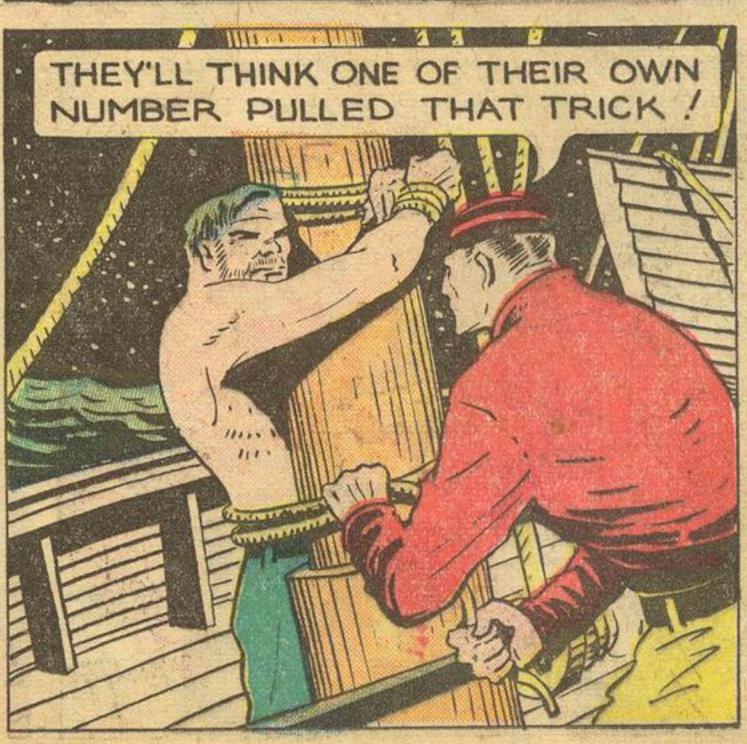


























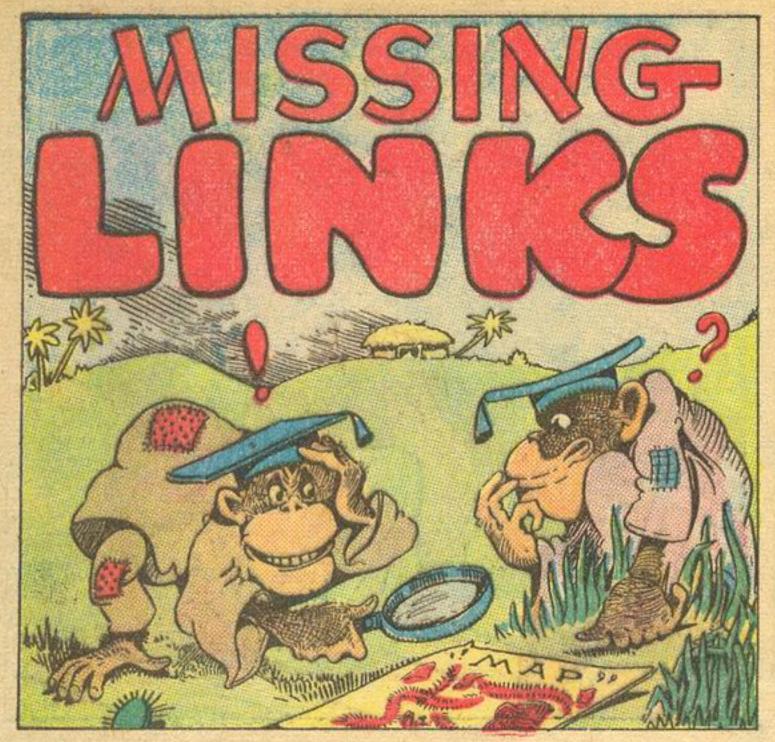


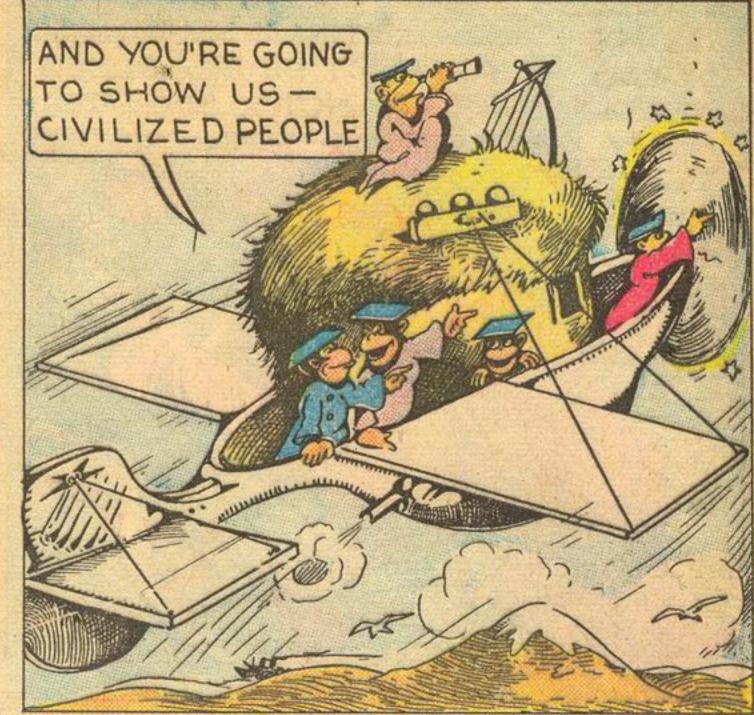


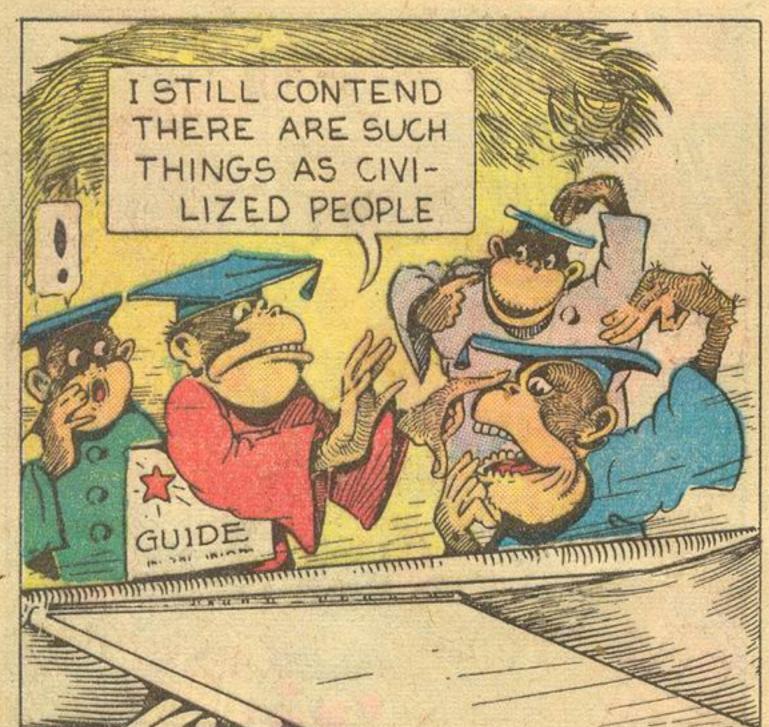




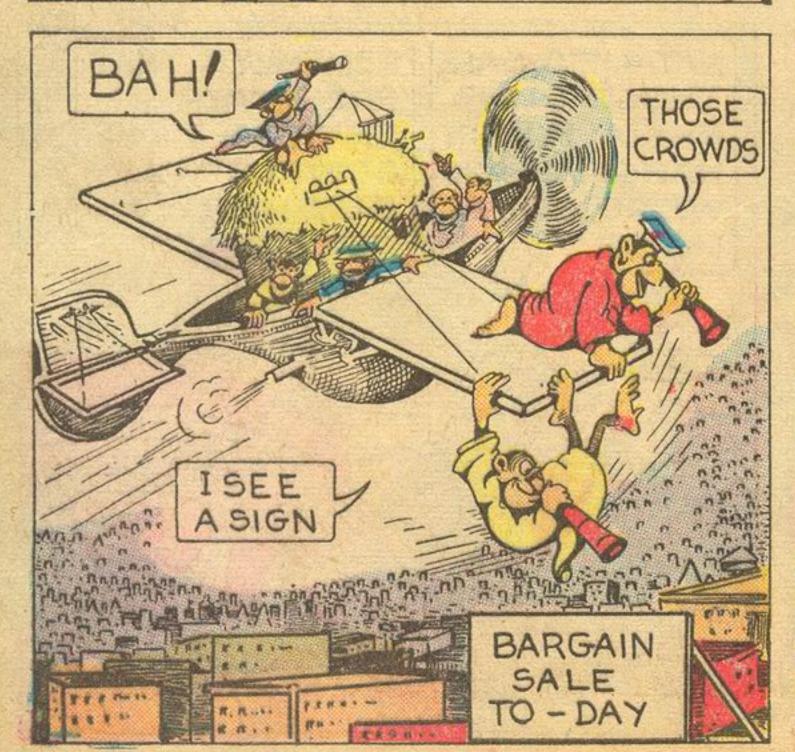




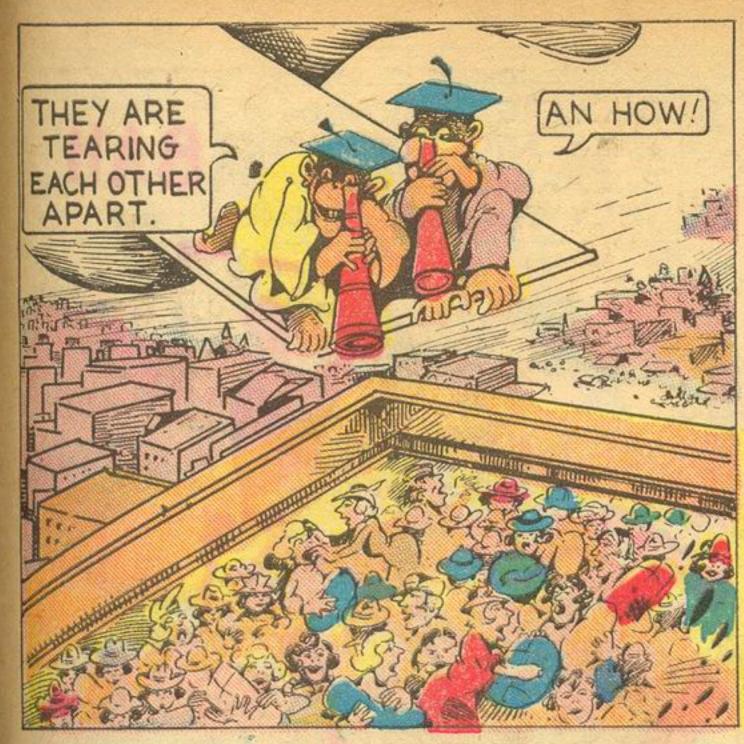


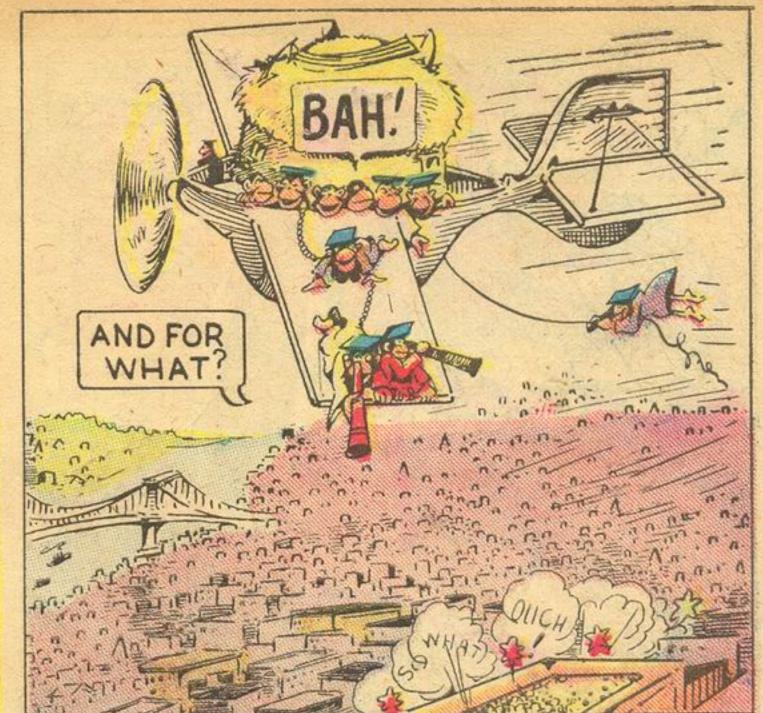




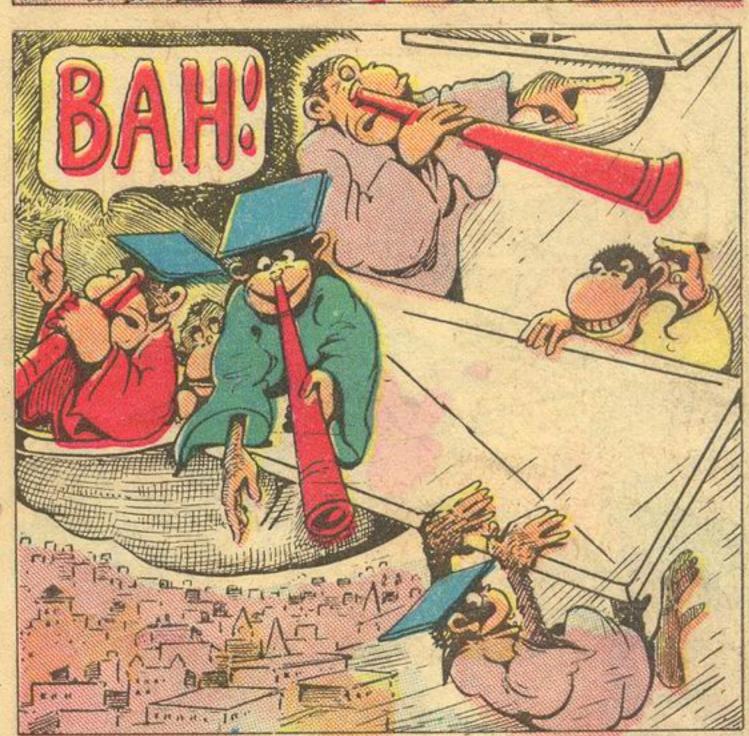




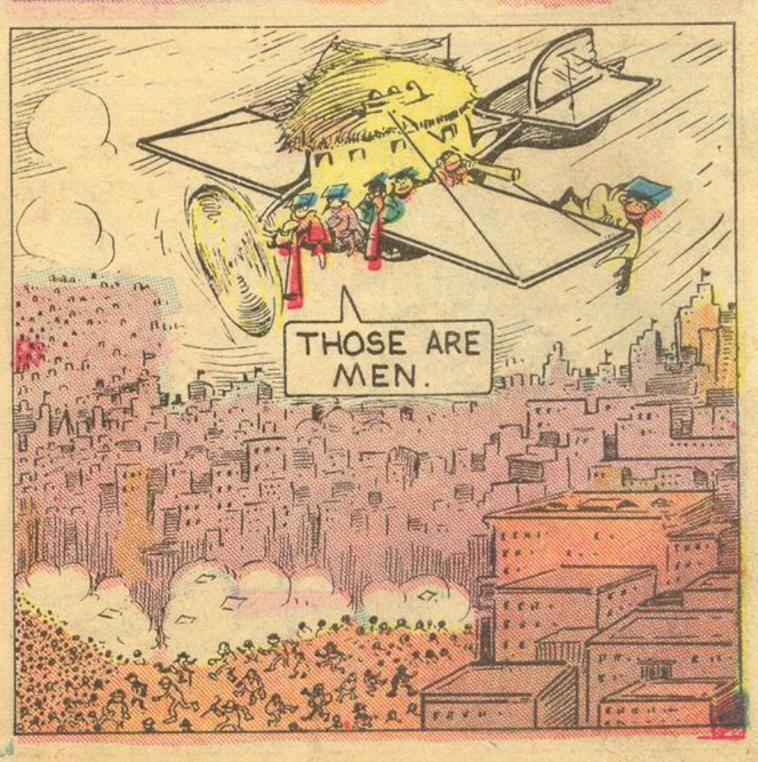


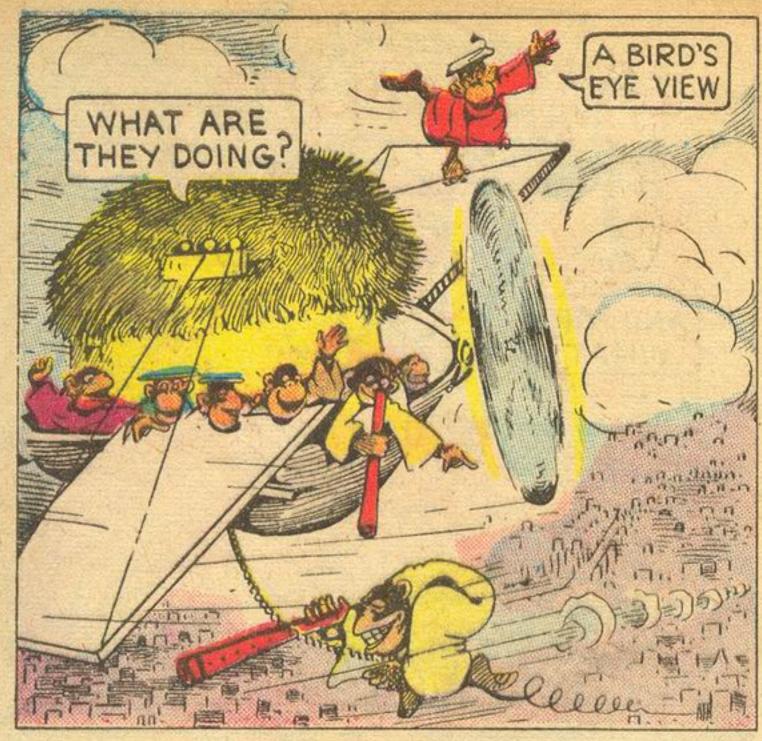






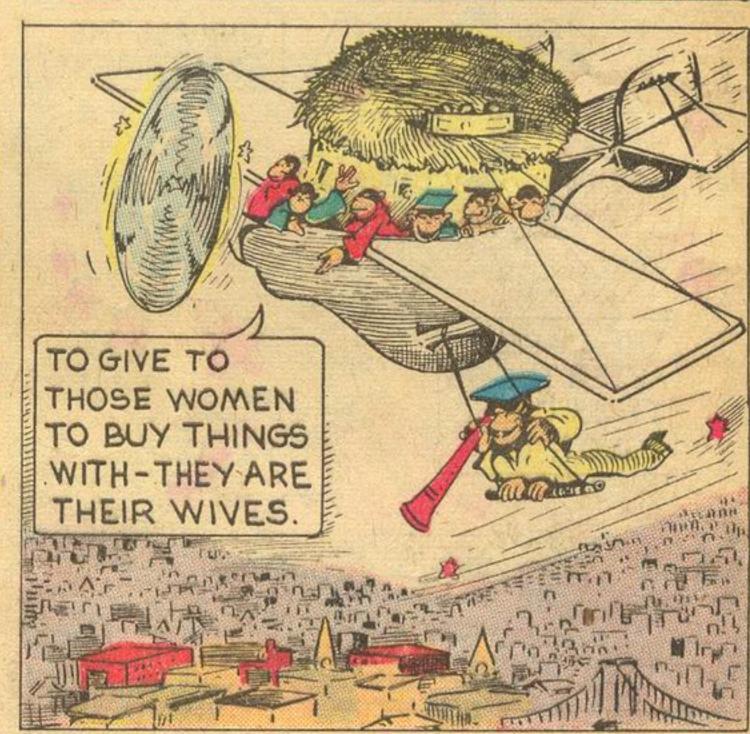


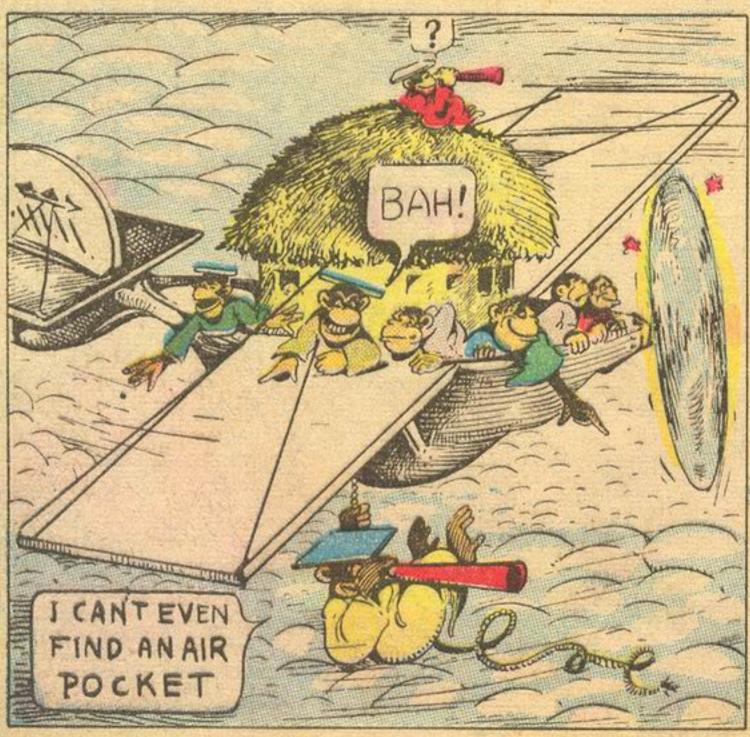




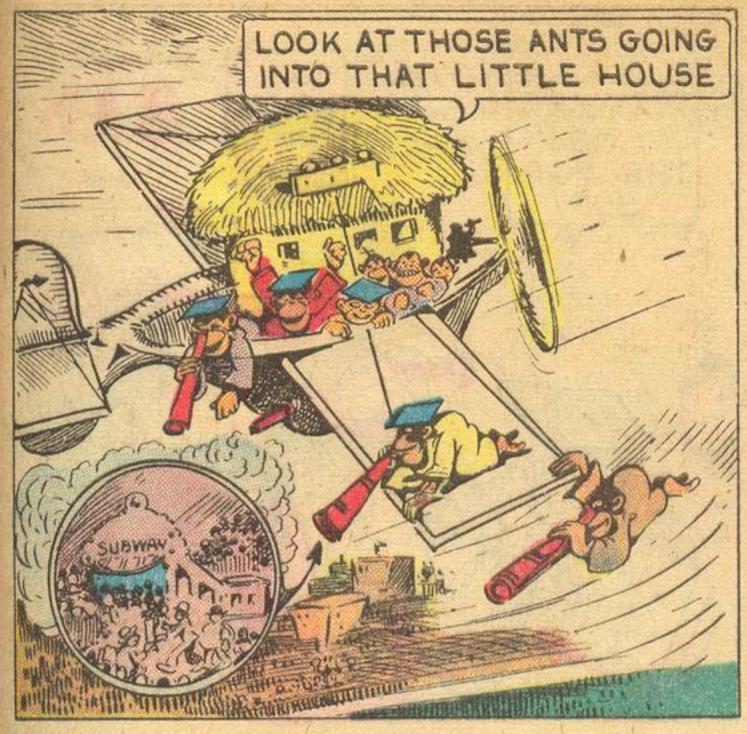


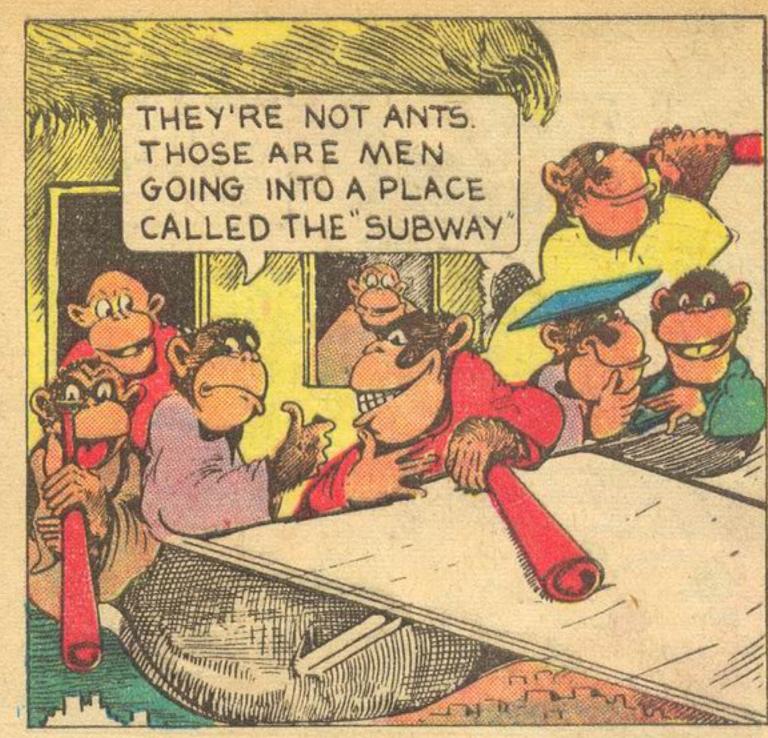






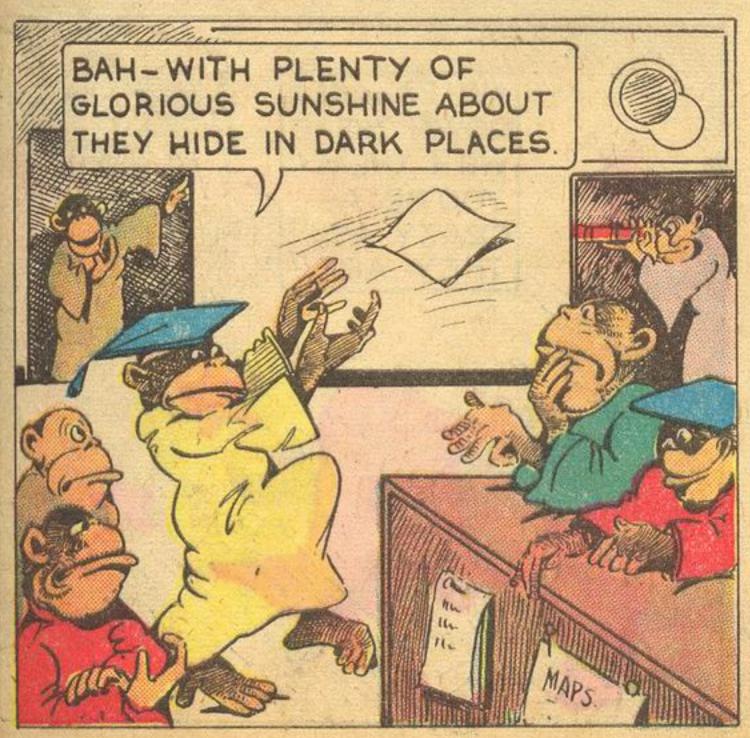


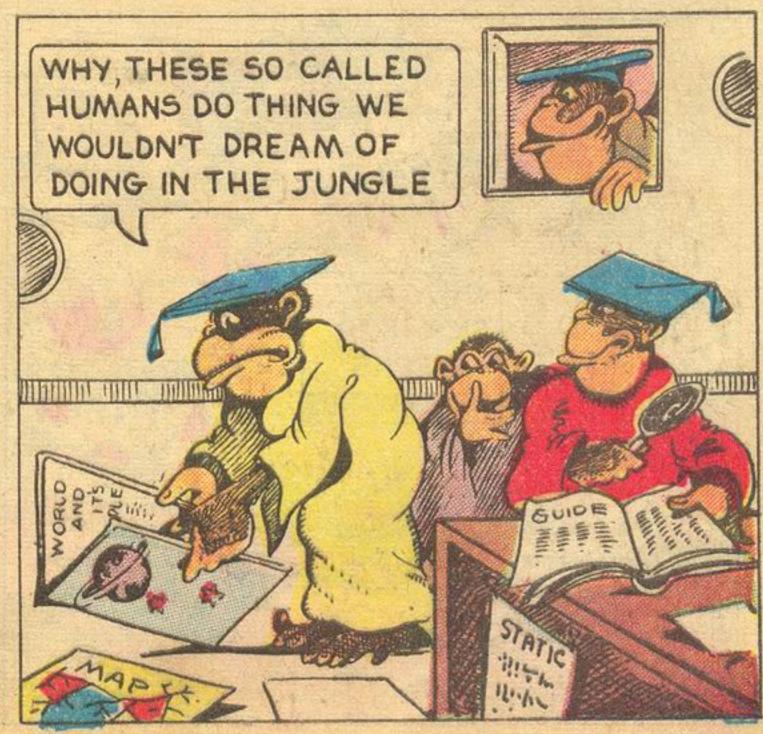




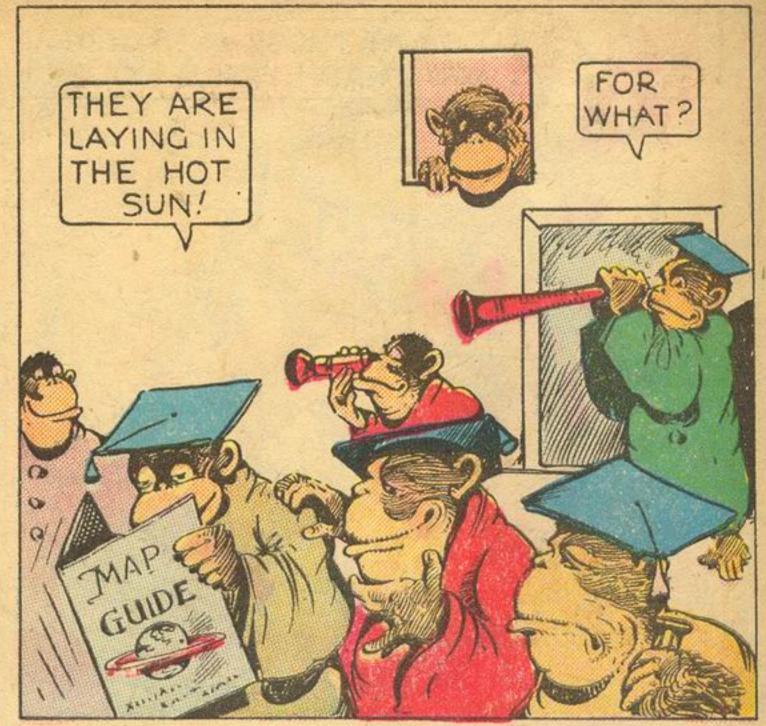










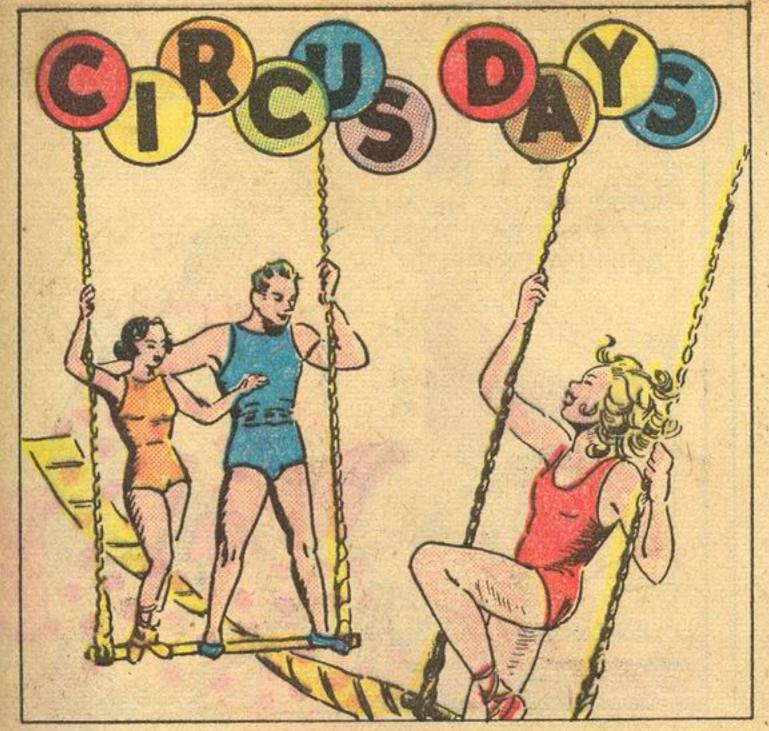


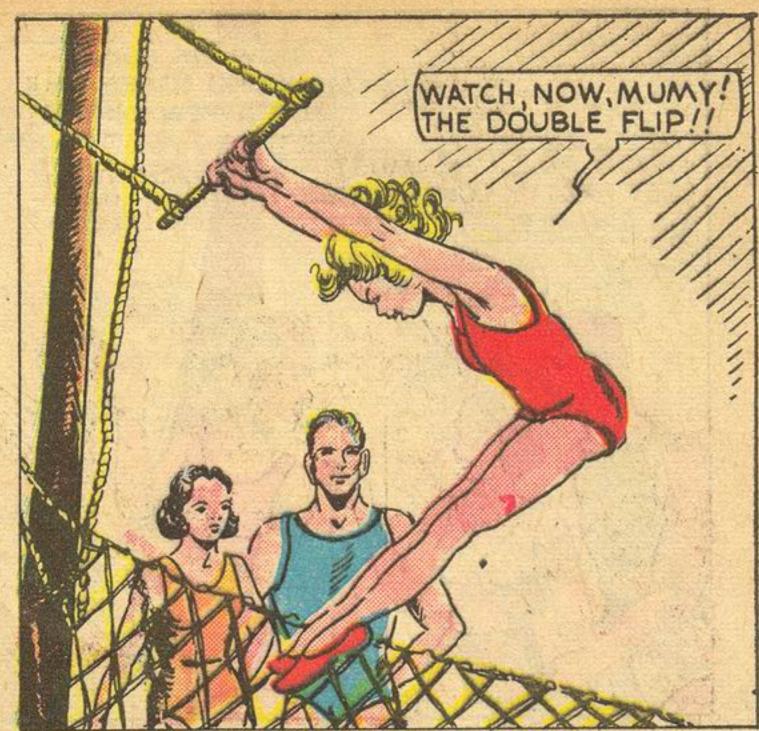


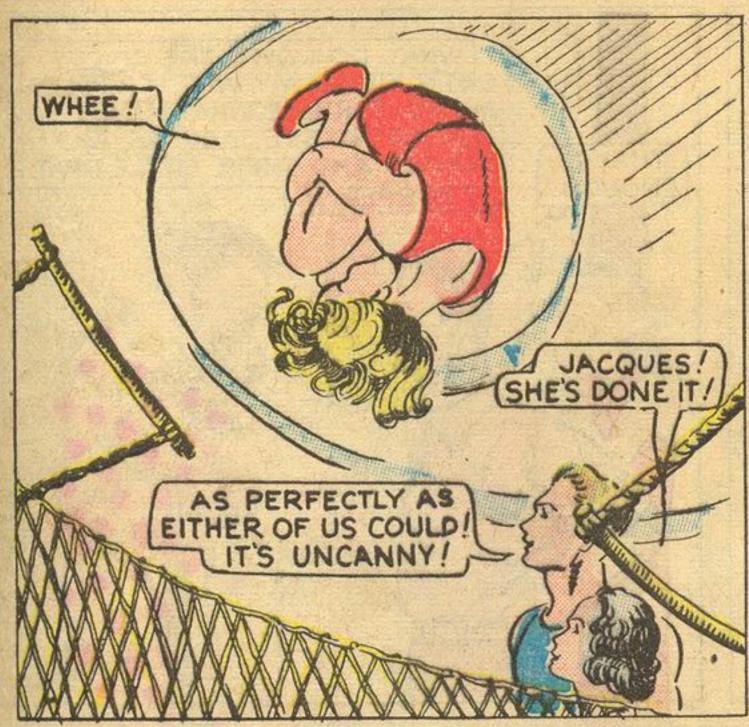












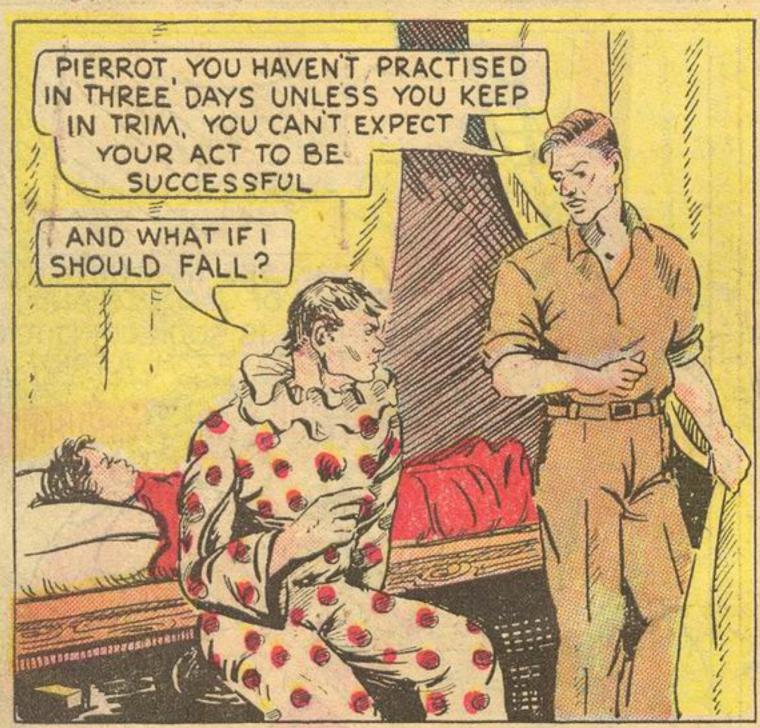














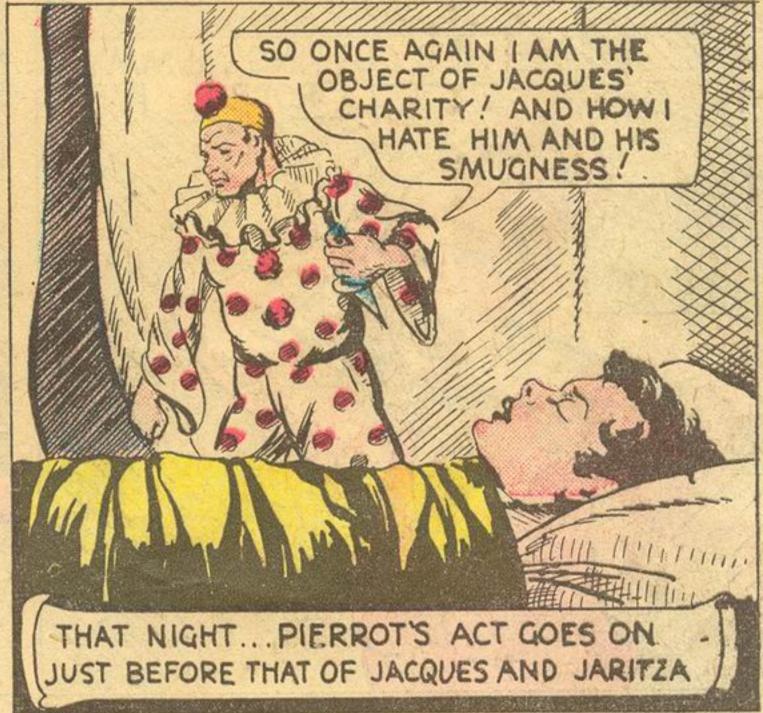








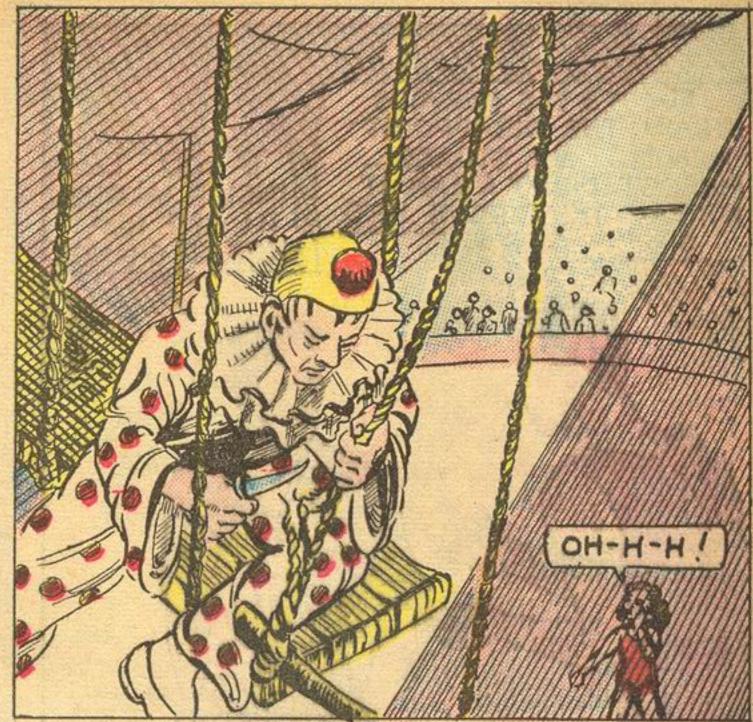












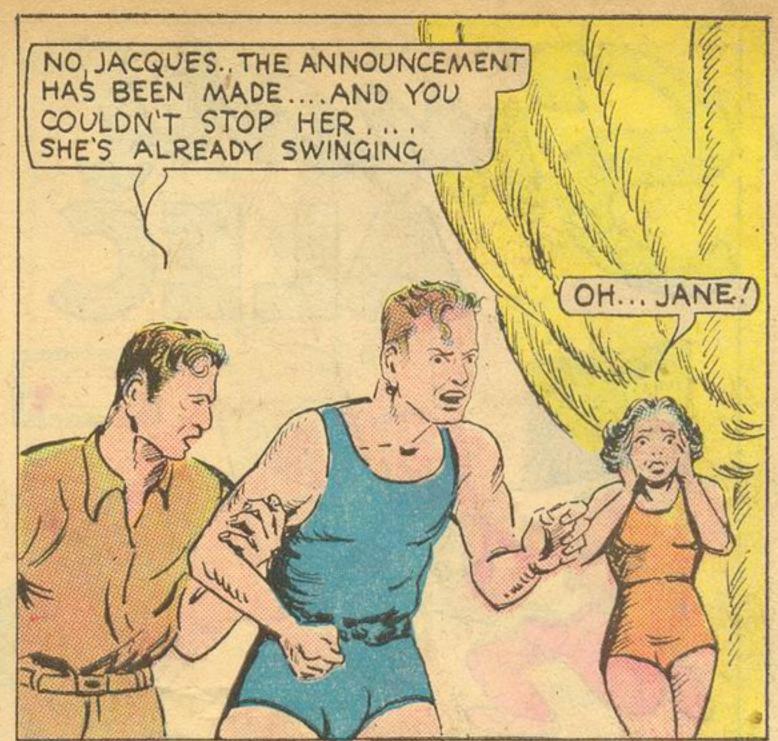


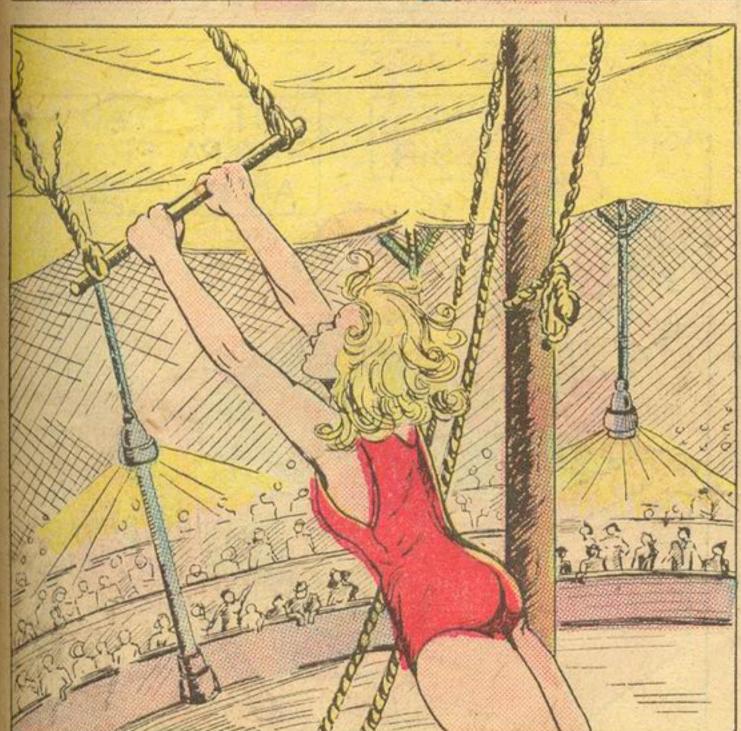


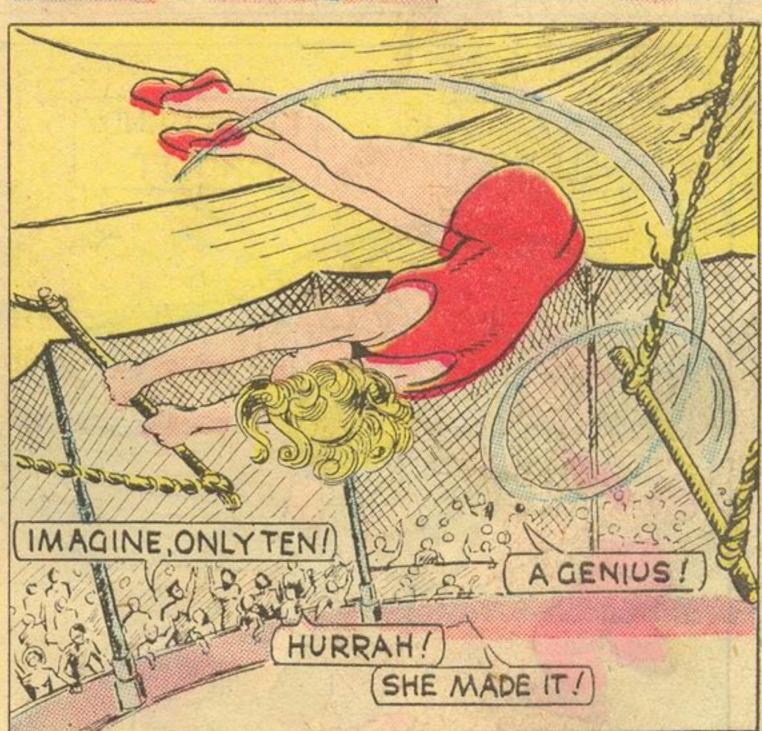


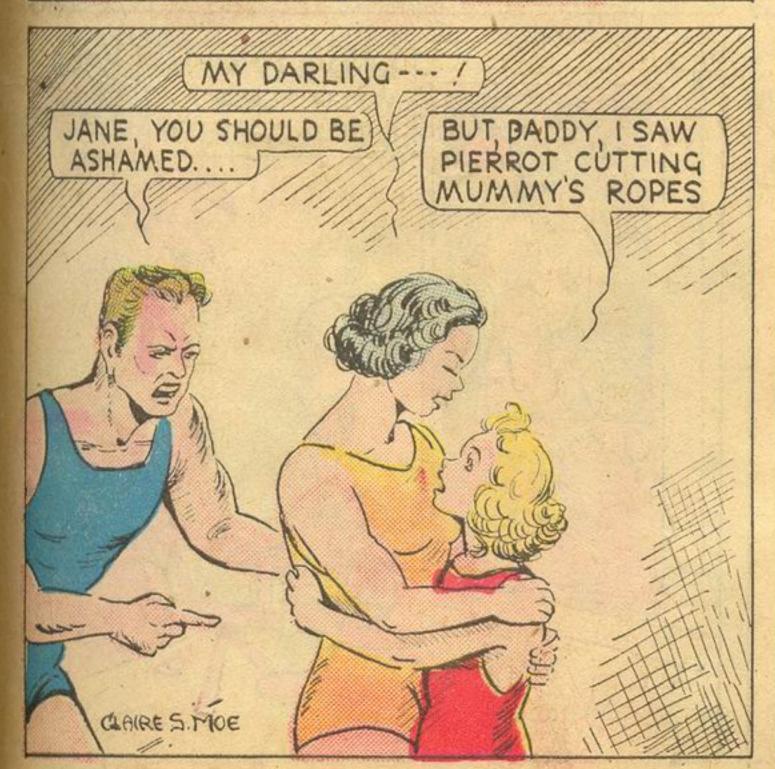




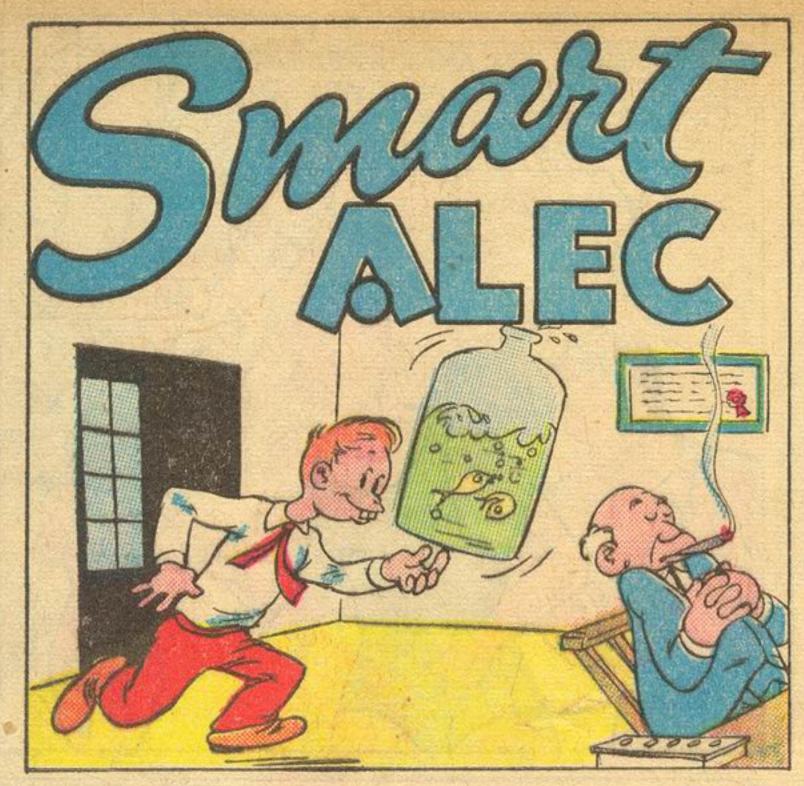


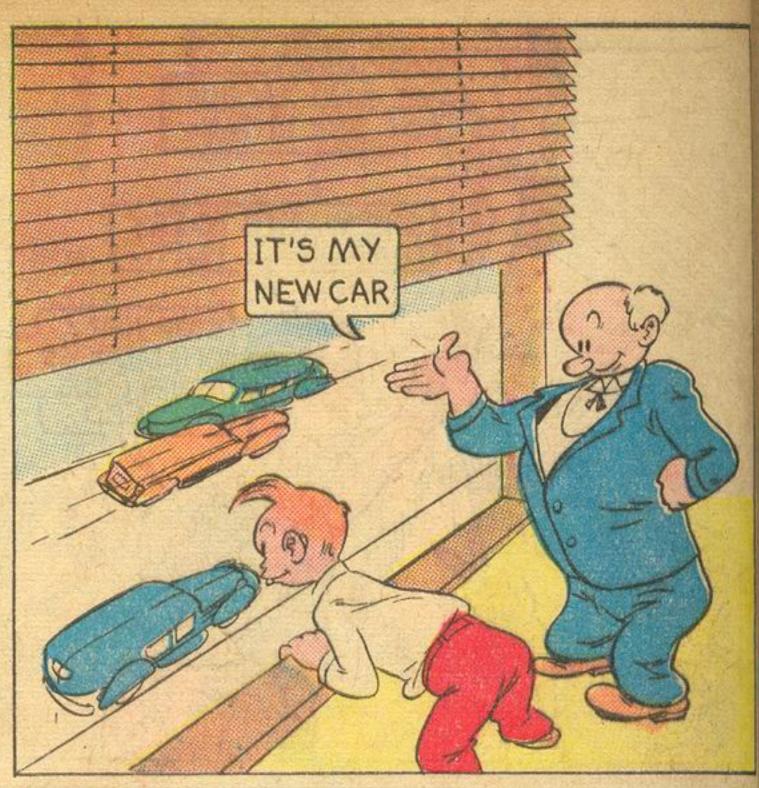


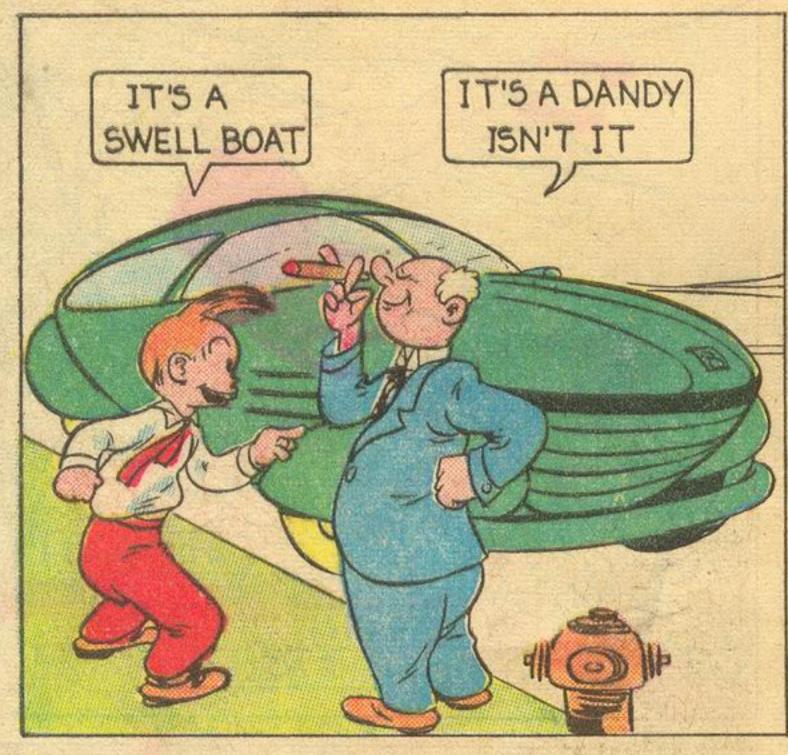




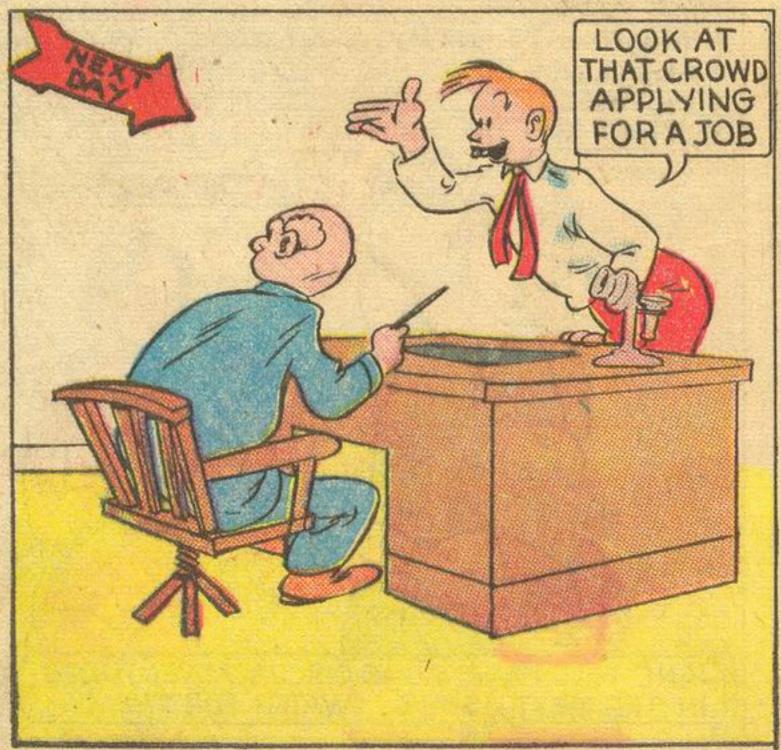


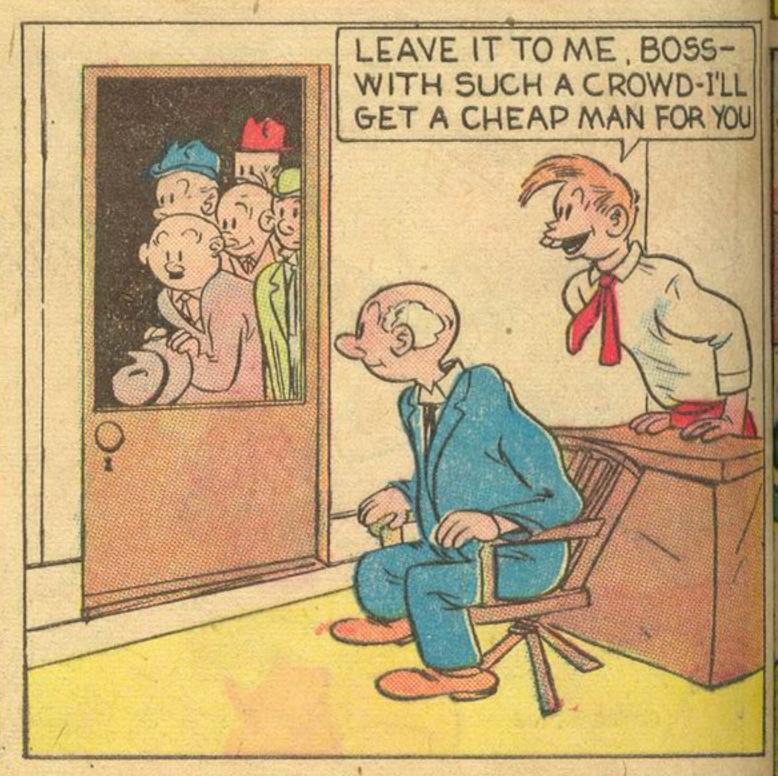




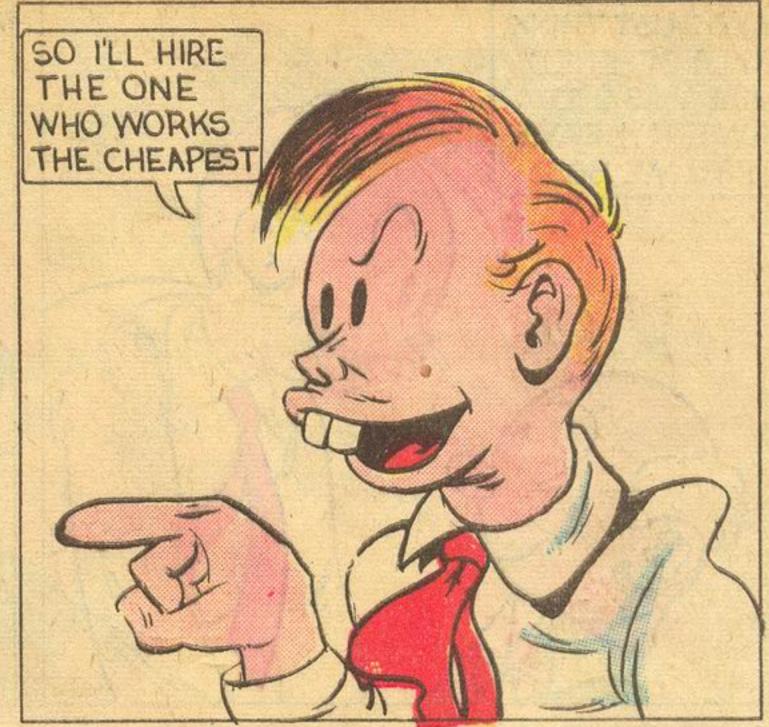








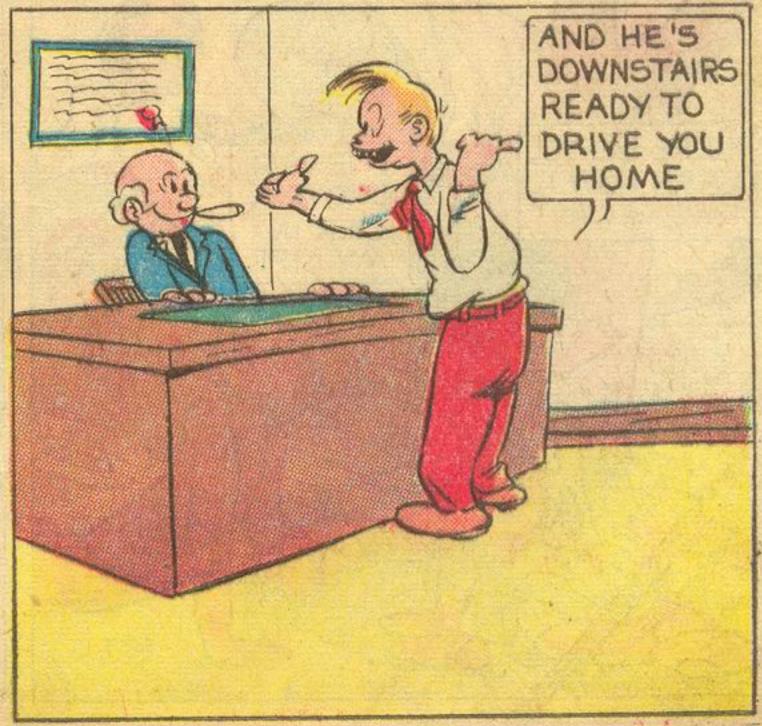


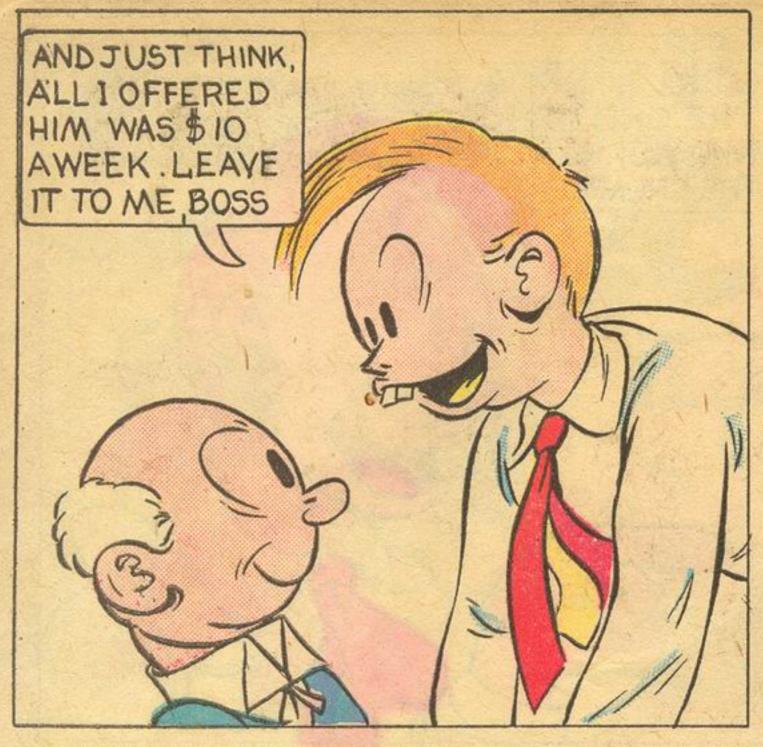




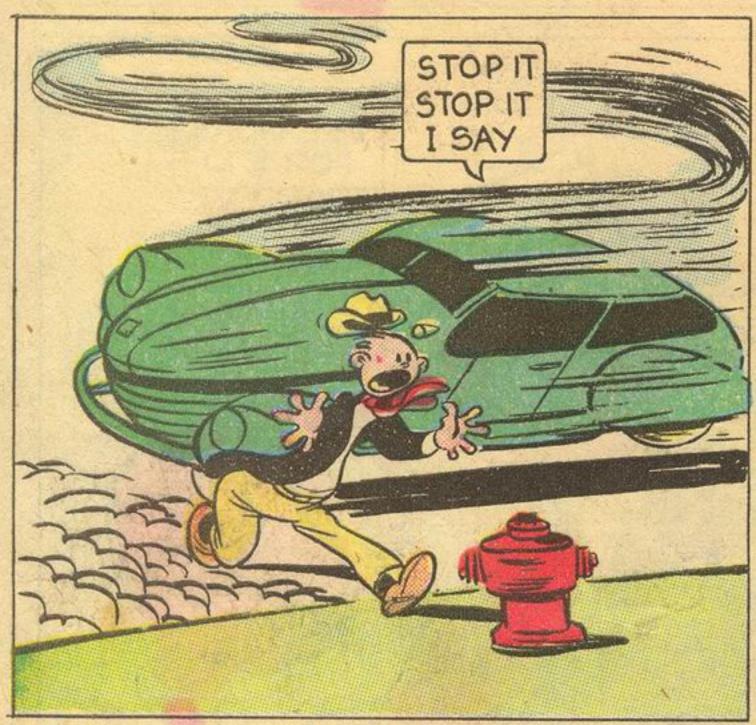


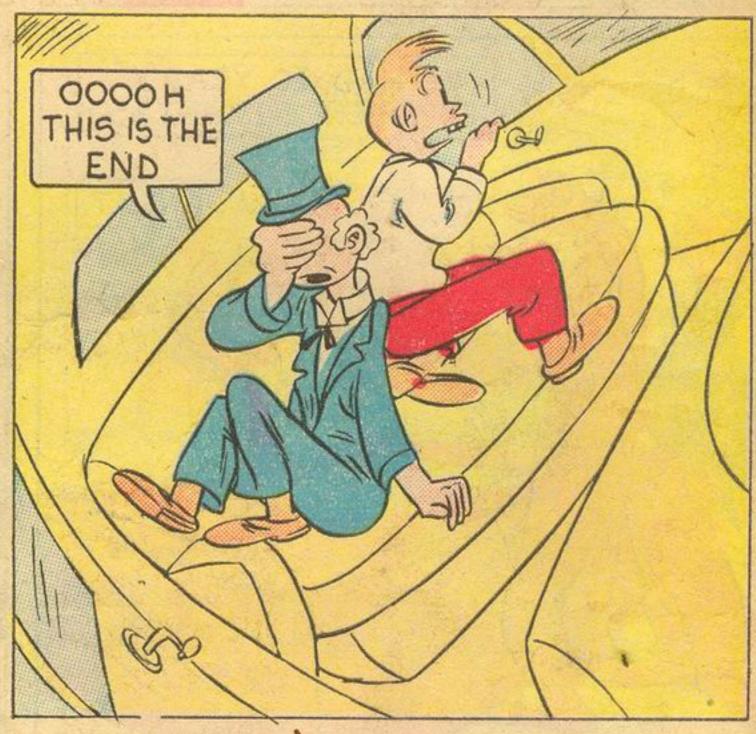








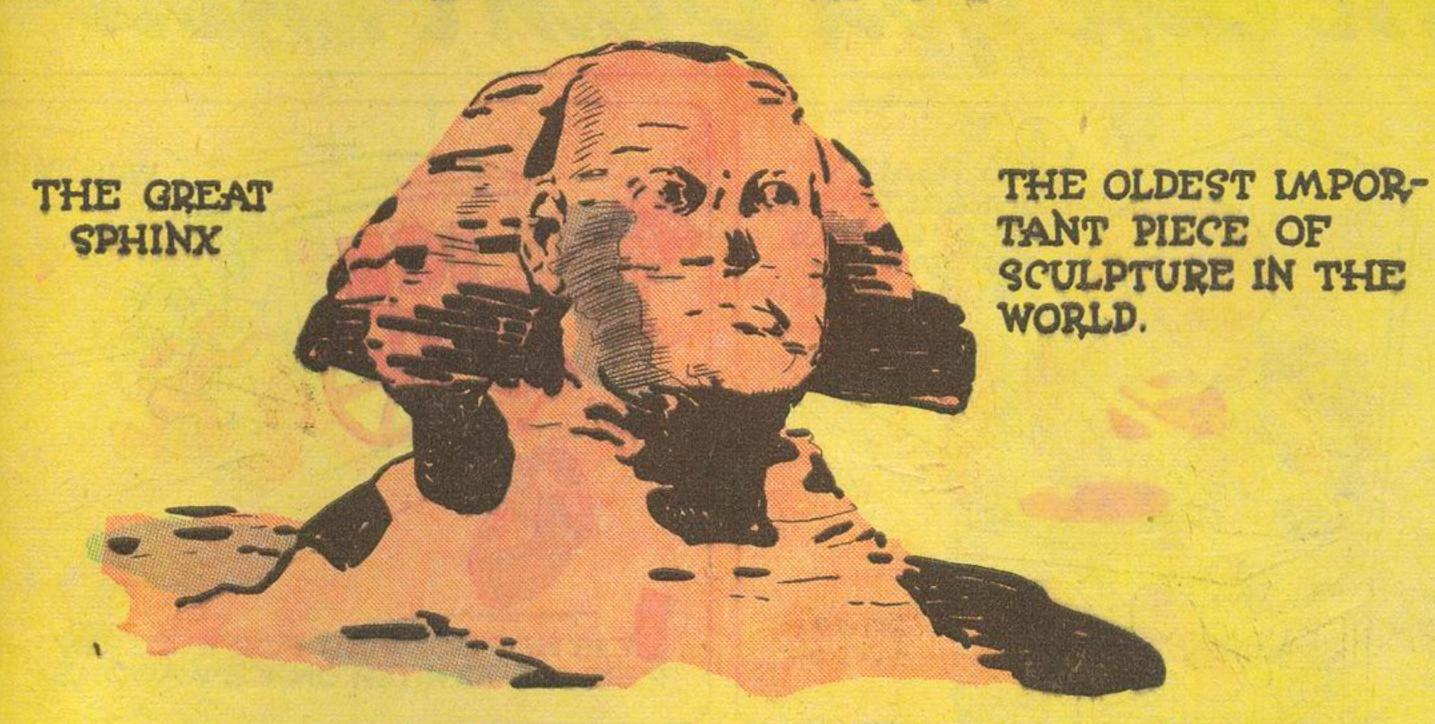




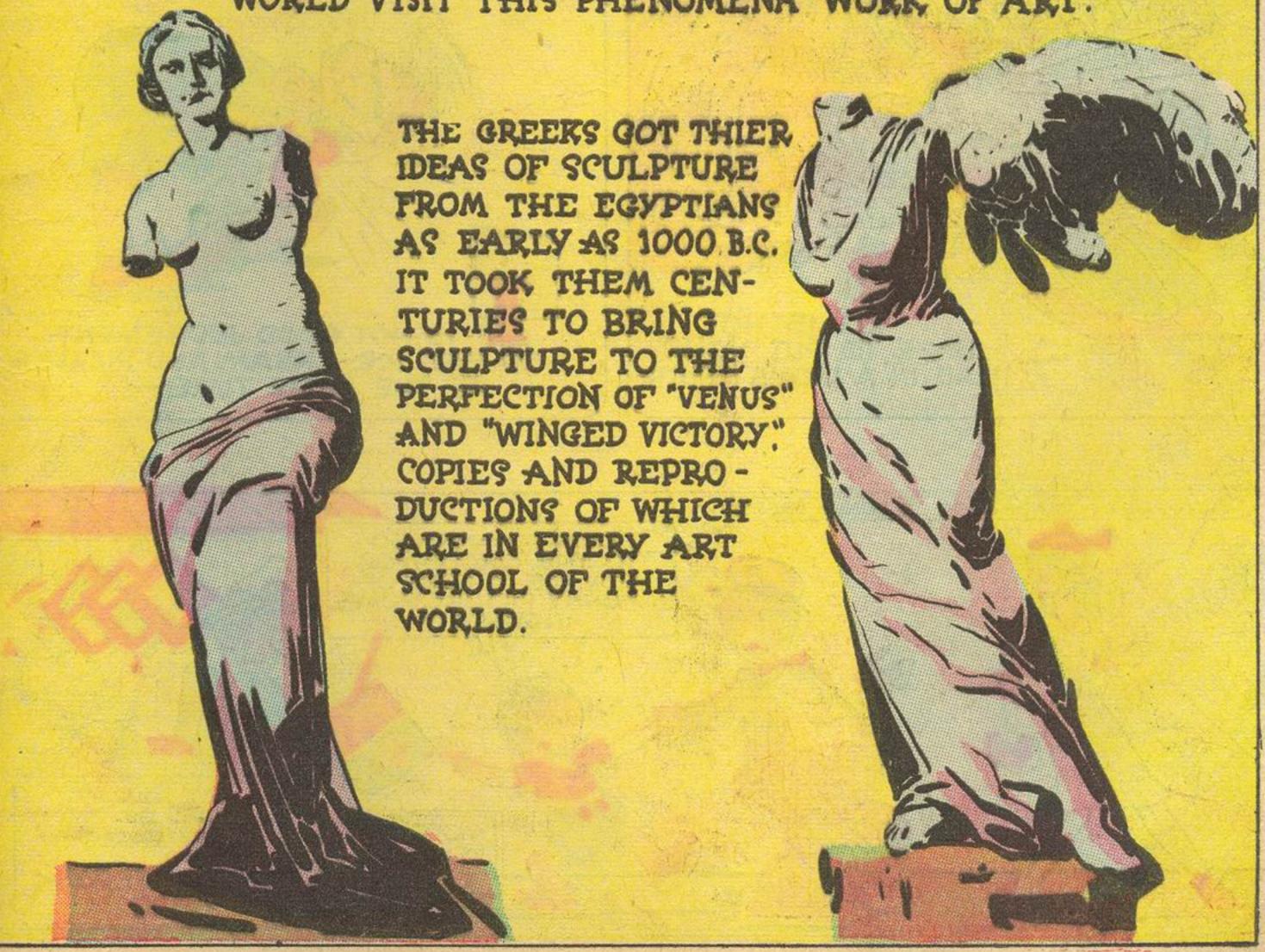




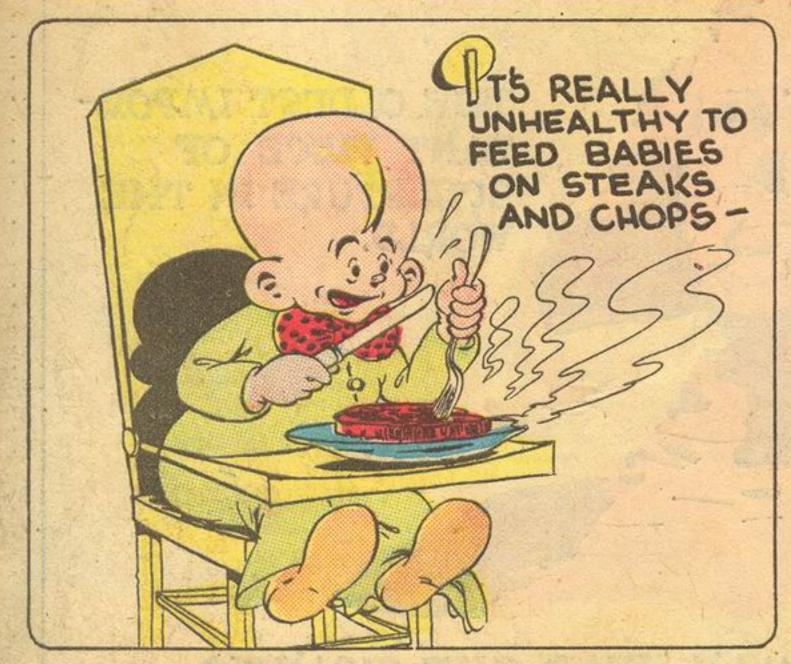
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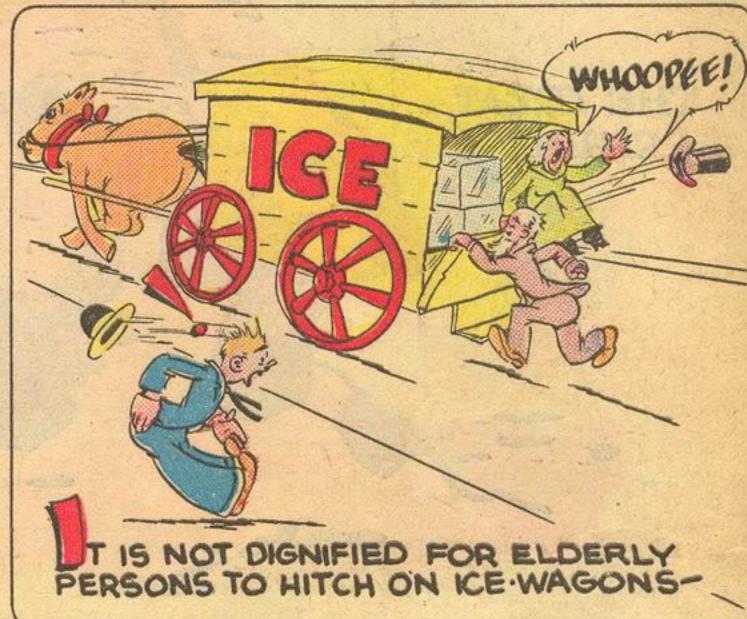


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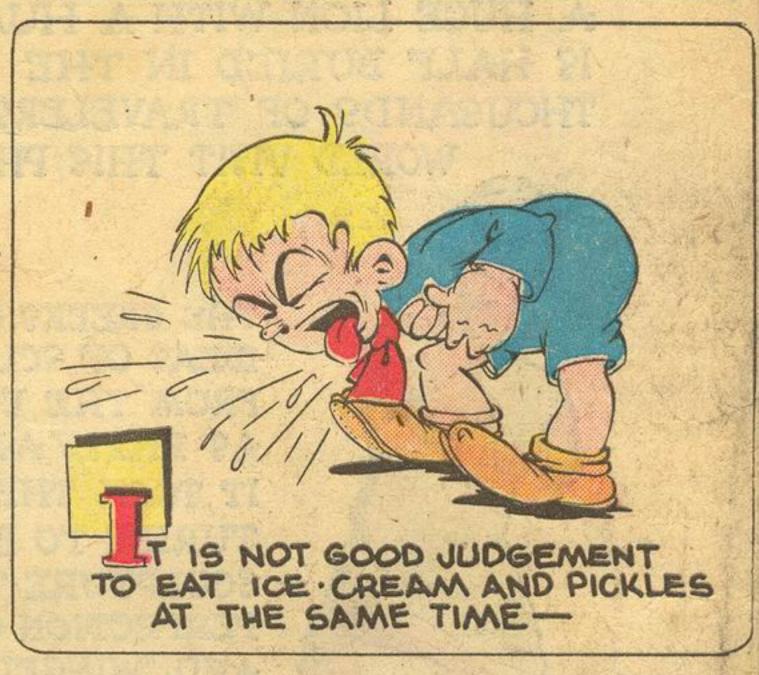


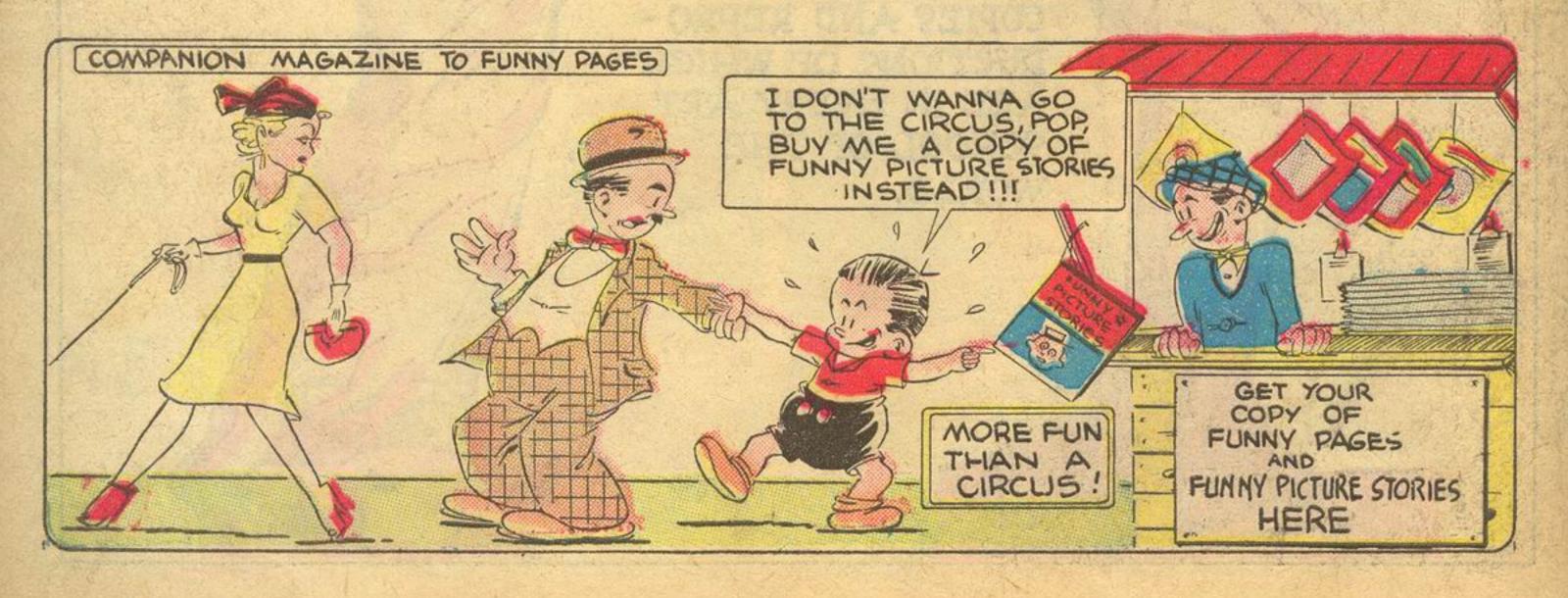
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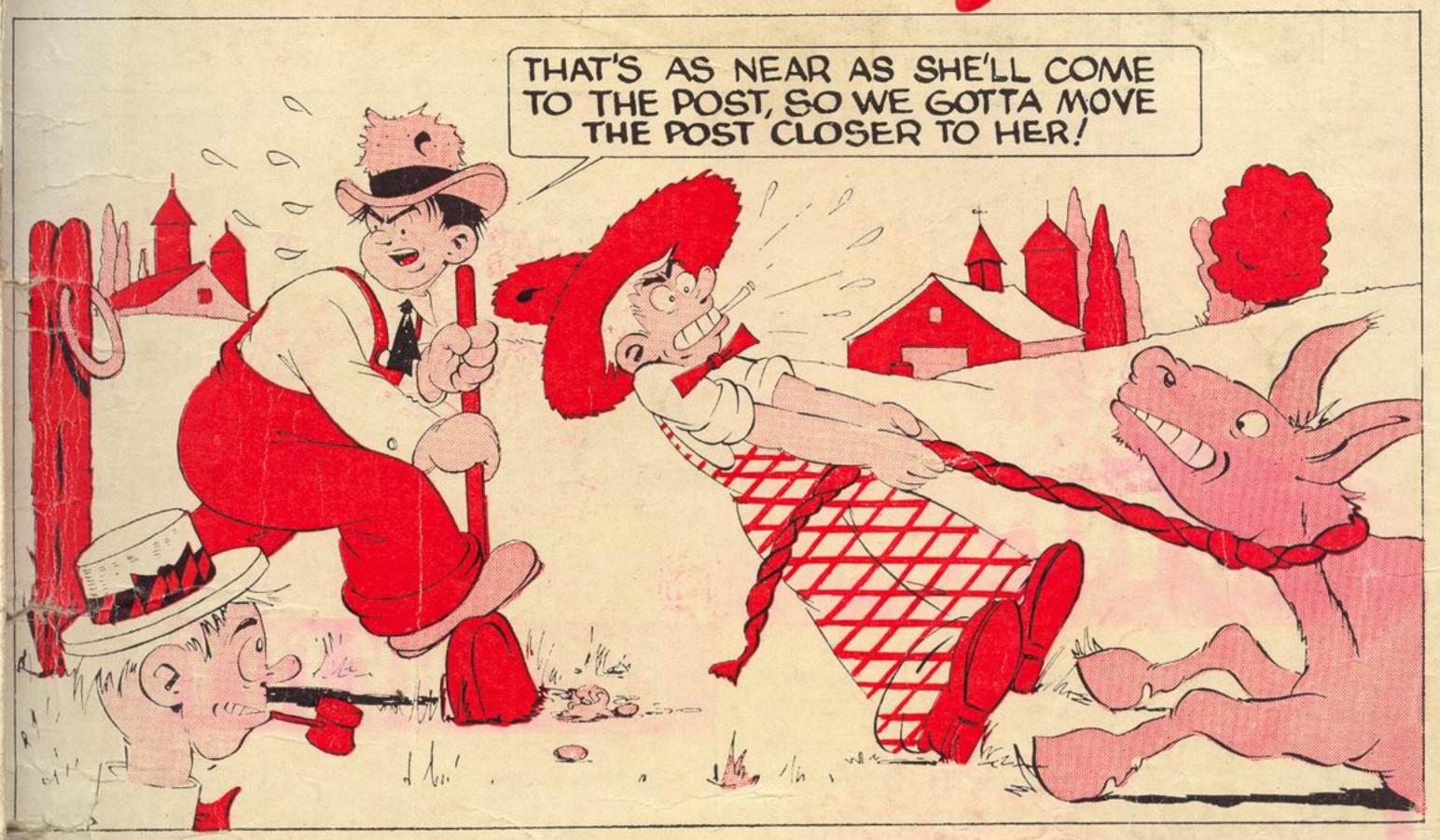


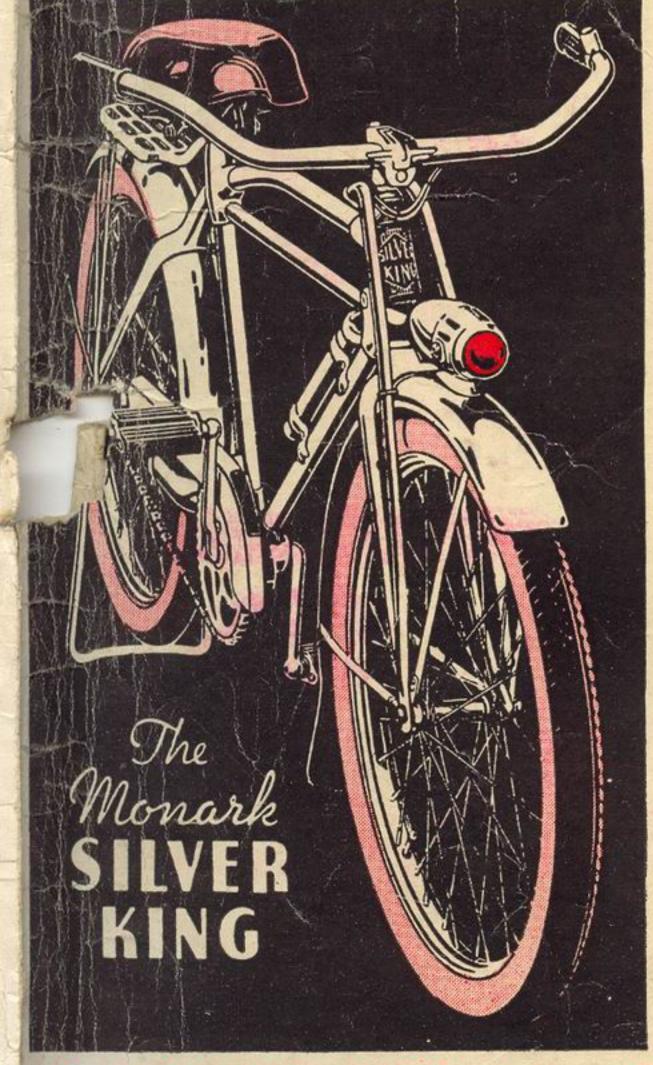






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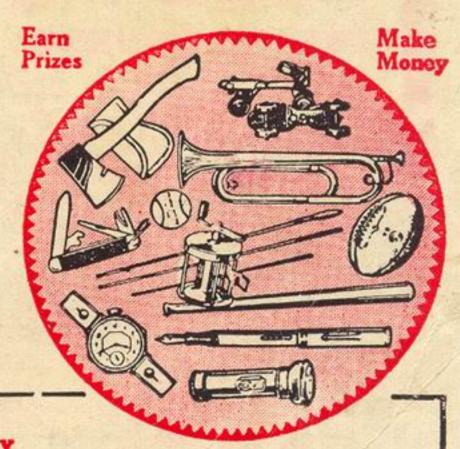




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